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BRAINED WITH HATCHET, BODIES ARE SET ON FIRE

U. S. SEN. McLAURIN DIES SUDDENLY

Jackson, Miss., Dec. 23.—United States Senator A. J. McLaurin, aged 61 years, was stricken with heart failure at his home at Brandon last night, and death resulted almost instantly. The attack came without the slightest warning.

Senator McLaurin was seated in a rocking chair before the fireplace in his library when the fatal stroke came. A few minutes before it was suffered he had remarked to his family that he felt better than he had in a long time since his recent severe illness, caused by ptomaine poisoning.

Senator McLaurin had called for a newspaper, and, as it was being brought to him by a servant he suddenly fell forward without a word, and life was extinct when his family reached his side.

Former Governor James K. Vardaman and Senator-elect John Sharp Williams are mentioned in connection with the selection of a successor to complete the unexpired term of the late Senator McLaurin. Several months ago Mr. Vardaman announced his candidacy for the subsequent term. Mr. Williams also seeks it. Governor Noel would not announce as to whether he would make an appointment or refer the selection to the legislature, which will convene next month.

CHILLICOTHE SCENE OF DOUBLE MURDER

Chillicothe, O., Dec. 23.—Mrs. Mary Jackson, colored, and her two-year-old granddaughter were murdered during the night and their house fired by the murderers in the hope of concealing the crime.

Firemen extinguished the flames and found the bodies with their skulls crushed and covered with blood. John Maughmer, William Swan and Billy McKinley, the latter the mother of the murdered child, have been arrested.

Swan is believed to have committed the crime, while Mrs. McKinley, the mother, is held as an accessory. Maughmer is only wanted as a witness as is also his wife.

The murdered woman was 87 years of age and the little girl was only nine. They and Mrs. McKinley lived in the downstairs part of a two-story house, while John Maughmer, white, and his wife, a colored woman, lived upstairs. Mrs. McKinley's husband deserted her about a year ago.

Two and one-half months ago a negro named Will Swan, who had just been released from the Western Pennsylvania penitentiary, came to Chillicothe and began boarding with Mrs. McKinley. He tried to persuade Mrs. McKinley to run away with him. She refused to go, giving as a reason that she did not want to leave her daughter alone.

It is alleged that Wednesday Swan was in a negro saloon and that he showed a hatchet, boasting that he had some work to do with it before the day was over.

The supposition that Swan went home and slipping into the room occupied by the little girl and her grandmother, brained the child with the hatchet, expecting thereby to get rid of her. The grandmother being awakened was also struck over the head by the murderer.

Then, it is claimed, Swan grabbed a lighted lamp and threw it on the bed occupied by the two, expecting the evidences of his crime to be burned up. The fire was promptly discovered and was soon extinguished by the firemen. When they entered the room of horror they found Mrs. Jackson and her grandchild still alive, but past human aid. Mrs. Jackson died at 1:30 Thursday morning and the little child at 8:30 o'clock.

The police soon had enough evidence to warrant the arrest of Swan and Mrs. McKinley, while the Maughmer's were deemed valuable witnesses.

Upon a sleeve of Swan's coat was found blood stains, but he claimed to have gotten these Wednesday in dressing rabbits for a man named Lomax. Mr. Lomax states that after dressing some rabbits for him, Swan called his attention to the blood stains on his coat and asked him to take particular notice of them. "If anything should happen, I might be accused of it, and these stains get me into trouble," Swan is said to have told Lomax. It is believed that Swan then had the crime in mind and thought to provide an alibi if accused or arrested.

The murder has caused much feeling in the city among all races and classes.

Prof. Abe White was a business visitor at Waverly Wednesday.

DOCTORS SAY "STOVAINE" IS NOT SUCCESS

New York, Dec. 23.—Surgeons of the Post-Graduate hospital, where Dr. Jonnesco, the famous Roumanian surgeon, recently injected stovaine in four patients, upon whom operations were performed, are discussing the report of the operations. Serious doubt is expressed as to the advisability of substituting stovaine for either chloroform or ether to kill pain during an operation.

It was remarked in the operations that the stovaine kills pains for but 35 minutes, while one of the patients was on the table 45 minutes and suffered intensely during the latter part of the operation. In one operation on the skull Dr. Jonnesco had a chance to show the body migth be paralyzed from the waist downward. He injected stovaine between the first and second vertebrae. The patient, contrary to expectations, lost consciousness and suffered complete loss of respiration. He had to be rushed from the table and given oxygen and other heroic treatment to save his life. Later he became a raving maniac and had to be confined in a straight-jacket. He recovered.

Cook Again Branded As Fakir

New York, Dec. 23.—The report of the special committee which investigated Dr. Cook's claim to having reached the summit of Mount McKinley, will be delivered to the board of governors of the Explorers Club tomorrow. The report discredits Cook's claim.

ARRANGING FOR DEBATE SUBJECT

Principal Stratton of the Chillicothe High School and Professor Gilliland, of Portsmouth High School, are in correspondence relative to the subject for the debate between the two schools scheduled for March 18th. The subject will soon be announced.

GENERAL ESTRADA, WHOSE FORCES ROUTED NATIONALS IN NICARAGUA

Gen Estrada In Supreme Command

Bluefields, Dec. 23.—General Estrada will immediately assume the offensive against the government president Madriz. The insurgent leader held that the Zelayan element was removed from consideration by the sweeping battle of Rama. A march on Managua is believed to be imminent.

The exact number of dead, injured and captured in the two days' fighting near Rama is not known. The wounded fill the hospitals and the dead lie in many homes. American surgeons from the Des Moines are giving splendid service in the care of the wounded. Estrada is in possession of Rama.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Messages received at the state department today indicated a condition of scitement throughout the western portion of Nicaragua. Zelaya has assumed direction of the military operations in that part of the state and a stubborn resistance to the expected advance of the revolutionary army is looked for. Riots are reported at Massya and Granada where the people collided with military forces. American citizens at Granada are again calling for protection. The American marines recently landed from the Prairie, are at Basopispo, half way between Colon and Panama and within easy reach of call in case it is found necessary to send them to Corinto.

HARRY MILLER PRESIDENT OF BAR EXAMINERS

Columbus, O., Dec. 23.—(Special to The Times)—The supreme court today appointed John J. Sullivan of Warren and George A. Beard of Springfield, members of the state bar examination committee for five year terms. They succeed John J. Adams of Zanesville and R. D. Crissinger of Marion. H. W. Miller of Portsmouth was elected chairman for next year. BLAKE.

Jno. Montovan Rounds In

John Montovan formerly traveling salesman for the Tracy Shoe company rounded in Wednesday night for the holidays which will be spent with his family at this place. He is now traveling for the Hamilton-Brown Co., of St. Louis and reports the best season he has had since being connected with that firm.

ALBERT 1 TAKES BELGIAN THRONE

Brussells, Dec. 23.—Albert I, King of the Belgians, with Queen Elizabeth, made their state entry into the capital from Lacken this morning.

A cannon boomed forth a royal saiute, the church bells rang, and hundreds of thousands lined the route of the regal march crying "Long live Albert, long live Elizabeth." When the procession arrived at the chamber where the oath of ascension was taken, the successor of Leopold was given a notable reception by the assembled senators and deputies. The feeble attempt of the Socialistists to make a republican demonstration failed miserably. At every discortant note a fresh outburst of cheering drowned the voices of the malcontents.

TAKES STAND IN HIS OWN BEHALF

New York, Dec. 23.—W. Gould Brokaw is on the witness stand in the suit of his wife who wants a divorce.

Honor Dead Leopold

Washington, D. C., Dec. 23.—The president, members of the cabinet and the diplomatic corps attended the requiem of high mass for the repose of the soul of the late King Leopold at St. Matthews Roman Catholic church here today.

Is Promoted To Salesman

Clifford Baker, elevator boy at the Anderson store, has been promoted to the position of salesman in the gingham department and takes charge on next Monday. He is a son of Court Bailiff Fred Baker.

FORESTRY CHIEF CHALLENGED BY CABINET MEMBER

In his open letter demanding an investigation of the department of the interior Secretary Ballinger without mentioning Gifford Pinchot, chief of the forestry service specially directs attention to the necessity of including that department in the inquiry. In writing to Senator Wesley L. Jones, Mr. Ballinger said, "I have reason to believe that the pernicious activity of certain officers of the forestry service has been the source and inspiration of the charges against the interior department and its administration." The secretary thus for the first time throws down the gage to Mr. Pinchot and opens up the most serious fight that has taken place under the Taft administration.

PASTOR DISTRIBUTES CALENDARS

Bearing greetings of the glad Christmas season, W. C. Hartinger, pastor of Trinity Methodist Episcopal church, is busily distributing handsome calenders to members of his congregation. It is a graceful remembrance and one highly appreciated. Upon the calendar appears the hours for all services of the church.

BIG REALTY DEAL MEANS GREATER STEEL PLANT

The filing of over twenty deeds by Attorney Edward J. Daehler at the court house on Thursday morning disclosed one of the largest real estate deals in recent months and undoubtedly means more prosperity for Portsmouth in the enlargement of the Portsmouth Steel company plant.

The deeds show the Portsmouth Steel company to have purchased 20 houses and lots directly north of its plant at New Boston and also a nine acre tract of T. J. Basham adjoining its yards on the east.

The aggregate cost of the houses and lots is about $15,000 while the Basham strip was purchased for $2500. The houses are located in a row on Grace street between Center and Vine streets while the Basham land is directly south of Lakeside or between the street railway tracks and the B. & O. S. W. right of way.

Several weeks ago The Times announced that Mr. Basham had given an option on his tract of land and that the Portsmouth Steel company was believed to be the prospective purchaser.

Company officials when asked for a statement regarding the big deal announced that they had no immediate plans. The properties had been offered to them at reasonable figures and while eventually they would utilize the ground their plans may be changed a dozen times before it is finally decided to what use the ground will be put.

It is generally supposed that the newly acquired property on the north will eventually become the site of a row of new open-hearth furnaces and that in the not distant future a big blast furnace will be located on the Basham tract and part of it be used for a dumping ground. It is 800 feet long and 140 feet wide. Certain it is that the additional land means that the Portsmouth Steel plant will be materially enlarged and some day become one of the greatest plants of its kind in the country. All of the houses bought will be razed or moved away but how soon that will be done of course has not as yet been discussed.

Among those of whom properties were bought are John Martin Conley, Anna K. Marsh, The Portsmouth Brewing and Ice company, A. T. Holcomb, The Harbison-Walker Refractories Co., Edith Lynn, Jos. G. Reed company, Levi D. York, William Ham, George A. Clark, Adam Reeg, B. Augustin, Albert J. Knittle, five of G. H. Heinisch, one of the Portsmouth Street Railway company and the Reinhart stable. All of the purchases were made through Attorneys Ed Daehler and Arthur H. Bannon.

Kansas City Has Big Fire

Kansas City, Dec. 23.—The Rialto building, a five story structure, was destroyed this morning by fire caused by a gas explosion. The loss will be three hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Six firemen were slightly injured.

BOTH ESCAPE INJURY IN A RUNAWAY

R. K. Day, of Mt. Joy, principal of the Rarden schools, together with his daughter, figured in a rather unusual and singular runaway Tuesday. He was driving home when the rough roads surged the buggy so it scared his horse and it ran away. Soon he and the girl were pitched out headlong to the frozen ground, but both escaped without serious injury and almost without bruise. The horse ran for about two miles, strewing the pieces of the vehicle along the way.

Lame Duck At Express Co.

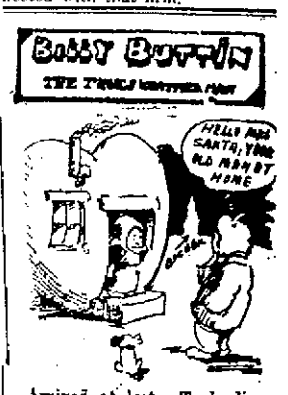
Jim Baucus, liquor sleuth, spent the whole of Thursday morning examining into the packages received by express. He was kept pretty tolerably busy, for the arrival of said packages was one continuous stream.

Battleship Utah Was Launched

Philadelphia, Dec. 23.—Declared to have no equal afloat as a first-class fighting machine, the battleship Utah, the greatest warship ever built by the United States, was launched from the yard of the New York Shipbuilding Co. at Camden, N. J., today.

Cripple Is Given Pass

A charity pass was issued to H. J. Atkins, a one legged man, who arrived in this city from New York on his way to his home at Catlettsburg, Wednesday night. He states that since losing his leg in New York three years ago he has been trying to drown his tough luck, and has just recovered from an attack of the jimmies. The Board of Service was fearful lest he would become a charge on the city, and figured the cheapest way to get rid of him was to pay his way to his home.



Arrived at last. Took dinner today with old Santa and his interesting family. They live in a little heart-shaped house close up by the "Big Nail" and talk about X-mas presents, say, they've got 'em piled everywhere, cases of 'em, cor loads of 'em—and old Santa was down street a' buyin' more when I got to his house. How on earth he expects to deliver 'em all stumps me. How's that? No, there ain't no Peary flag floatin' around here that I've seen. No red and white stuff around here but the Aurora Borealis and Christmas candy. Be home tomorrow night. Here's the weather.

Ohio, West Va. and Indiana.—Partly cloudy tonight and Friday

THREE CHRISTMAS TRAGEDIES

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 23.—Lack of money to give his wife and two children their accustomed happy Christmas is believed to have caused the suicide of James L. Mock, recently of Newark, N. J., who shot himself through the head at his home here this morning. The family only recently moved to this city and Mock's wife said that he had tried in vain to get work.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 23.—Giving up his liberty so his mother would have a better Christmas, John Hillyer, of Norfolk, Va., was sent to jail today.

"Have you got your fine?" he was asked by Justice Emory.

"Yes, sir, I have it," replied the prisoner, "but I don't want to pay it. I only have a little over $10 and I want to send $10 to my mother in Norfolk for a Christmas present."

Philadelphia, Dec. 23.—Rather than face her six children Christmas morning without presents or the money to buy them, Mrs. Sarah Ennis, of this city, last night went into her kitchen and turned on the gas.

She was found too late to save her life. Frank Ennis, the husband, three months ago lost his position and has been unable to find another, and the wife became so despondent over the Christmas outlook that she suicided.

OPEN EVERY NIGHT UNTIL CHRISTMAS

CHRISTMAS SALE!

Joy in the Land of Peace and Plenty Caused By Heavy Purchases With a Small Amount of Money at the Big Manufacturer's Sale!

Men's Fine Suits in Scotch Plaids and Galiford Cassimeres, a big assortment to pick from, worth $8.00 and $9.00. Sale Price **$3.48**

Very Fine Dress Suits for Men in Cassimere and Worsteds, all shades, in single and double breasted style, worth $14 and $15. Sale Price **$6.49**

At $8.96 you can choose the cream of this season's productions. The materials are the finest domestic and foreign Suitings. They are cut and trimmed in the best possible manner and worth $20 and $22. Sale Price **$8.96**

Men's Finest Dress Suits, all the latest styles and shades and equal to the finest $30.00 tailor made to order suit. Sale Price **$9.97**

Boys' Wool Knee Pants, all sizes, heavy weights, 50c and 75c values. Manufacturers Sale Price **38c**

Boys Heavy Corduroy Pants worth $2.00. Sale Price **94c**

Men's Pants, in good heavy Cheviots and Cassimeres, well made and trimmed, perfect fitting, worth $2.00. Sale Price **97c**

A big lot of Men's Trousers, about 900 pairs, in fancy Cassimeres, worth $3.00 and $3.50. Sale Price **$1.94**

Men's Fine Trousers, for dress wear, in fancy stylish Worsteds, Velour and Cassimeres, made up in swell styles, worth $4.50 to $5.00. Sale Price **$2.46**

Children's Extra Fine Cassimere Suits, in different shades worth $3.50 to $4.00 a suit. Sale Price **$1.94**

It's remarkable how little it takes to buy an enormous quantity of goods during this sale. The merchandise was sent to us to dispose of at once and at prices marked makes it go fast.

The plain figure price on everything.

The Big Manufacturer's Store is Packed With Holiday Goods Ready For Your Selection at Prices Much Lower Than They Cost to Make!

Large Silk Initial Handkerchiefs 7c Worth 15c.

Men's $5.00 Astrachan Wool Sweater Coats $2.44 Worth [illegible]

Men's Peg Top Cuff Bottom Corduroy Pants $1.95 Worth $4.00.

Men's Embroidered Hose 6c Worth 15c.

Ladies' Fleece Lined Hose 9c Worth [illegible]

500 Boys' $6.00 Overcoats - $1.98

Here is a picnic for you, who has ever heard of an all wool overcoat for boys, ages 3 to 16, to sell at this price, but that is exactly what we are going to do. They are fine Kersey cloth, also Strickland mills, Cassimere cloth. Colors are brown and black. They are finely made. Now don't forget, $6.00 Overcoats at $1.98.

$15 Young Men's Overcoats at $3.97

Satin lined Overcoats, made out of fine quality Cassimere and Trenton Scotches. Every one guaranteed to hold its style and shape. Made by a firm that would surprise you, if we dared mention their name, but we agreed not to. Colors are brown, olive, black and grey mixtures. All sizes, 31 to 36. Remember $15.00. Overcoats $3.97.

$10.00 Men's Overcoats at $3.83

A daring price cut that will completely wipe out our entire stock of this price overcoat. Here is selling with a vengeance. You get a warm black blue or brown overcoat for less than the material is actually worth. Keep sight of the fact that all $10.00 Overcoats will be sold at $3.83.

$15.00 Men's Suits - - $4.73

Stand in the teeth of any wintry blast and defy it if you have on one of these extra good, finely made heavy Neston Mills high grade Suits. From sheep to wearer, yarn every inch of it. And the price. Oh joy, $15.00. Men's Suits only $4.73

50c Men's Work Shirts - - 33c

An Eastern shirt manufacturer sent us by express W. freight 200 dozen Shirts. They are made full 36 inches long, all double sewed and of many desirable patterns. Now don't forget you ought to buy at least a half dozen 50c Men's Shirts only 33c

$2.25 MEN'S WORSTED AND CASSIMERE Pants For 86c

Here is something that's out of the ordinary and you certainly will appreciate. There is a story of a mill failure connected with the sale of these. But that's where you profit. Say folks this is a hummer. Men's $2.25 Pants 86c.

300 Child's Overcoats at - 99c

There is a maker of children's clothing in Rochester that when he sent us these wrote, sell every every one at any price you see fit. They are all neatly made and right up to this minute in style and of a good quality of Melton cloth, several colors, $2.50 Child's Overcoats, ages 3 to 8 only 98c.

50c Boys' Knee Pants for - 17c

A Columbus, Ohio maker of knee pants shipped us these. They are strongly made, with taped seams and come in two colors, black and blue. Keep the boy warm for they are extra heavy, 50c. Knee Pants, all sizes, 17c.

15c Plain Black and Tan Hose - 6c

A Southern mill asked us to dispose for them an even 100 dozen of fine black and tan hose, every pair warranted fast color and the price to you for these 15c hose will be only 6c.

Men's 75c Jersey Shirts, Extra Heavy. Manufacturers Sale Price **38c**

Large Lot of Men's Suspenders, Lisle Webs. Regular 25c value. Sale Price **15c**

Men's Heavy Fleece Lined Underwear, worth 50c. Sale Price.. **38c**

Boy's long pants suits in Cassimeres, Cheviot and Scotch Plaids single and double breasted styles, worth $7.00 to $9.00 Sale price. **$3.65**

Boys' Long Pants Suits, in plain black Thibets, Wool Worsteds and Wool Cassimeres, worth $12.00. Sale Price **$4.73**

Men's and Boys' Caps worth 75c. Manufacturers Sale Price .. **39c**

Men's Dress Shoes in Vici, Patent and Box Calf, Toes, worth $3.00. Manufacturers Sale Price **$1.94**

Men's $1.50 Solid Leather Shoes. Sale Price **98c**

Men's Soft Bosom Shirts, all sizes, worth 50c. Sale Price **21c**

Men's Half Wool Sox, worth 20c. Manufacturers Sale Price.. **8c**

Men's Hats, all late Styles and Shapes, worth $2.00. Sale price. **94c**

Men's All Wool Extra Heavy 35c Sox. Manufacturers sale price **19c**

Turkey Red 10c Handkerchiefs Manufacturers Sale Price **3c**

Men's Hats, Latest New York Blocks, all Fur, worth $2.50 and $3.00. Sale Price **$1.34**

Men's 10c Hemstitched Handkerchiefs. Sale price only 3c

Suspenders in fancy boxes worth 50c. Sale price.... 19c

Boys' Coat Sweaters are worth $1.00 Sale Price .. 48c

Silk Mufflers worth 75c. Sale price 48c

Holiday Ties worth 50c. Sale price 18c

Men's Coat Sweaters, worth $2.00. Sale price 96c

Suspenders in fancy boxes worth 75c. Sale price .. 38c

Silk Kerchiefs worth 50c. Sale price 23c

Fancy Hose, worth 35c. Sale price 19c

Ladies Hemstitched Handkerchiefs worth 5c. Sale price 1c

Men's $2.00 Shirts. Sale price 95c

Canvas Gloves worth 10c. Sale price 5c

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SENATOR BURTON IS TO BACK GARFIELD

Columbus, O., Dec. 23.—Coincident with the return of Harry M. Daugherty, the latest candidate for United States senator, from Washington, Republicans about the state capital began to discuss the slate of United States Senator Burton at the coming state convention.

It is said that the selection of governor is none other than former Secretary of the Interior James R. Garfield, of Cleveland.

This was not well received by the supporters of Secretary of State Carmi A. Thompson, who is now in the south, and will not be back for several days.

Nor is it pleasing to the supporters of Warren G. Harding, of Marion, who is well thought of in local circles.

It has been known that Senator Burton has been sounding sentiment in the state for months upon this particular nomination.

Akron Meeting Clinched It.

The demonstration at Akron last month in Garfield's favor, following his defense of independence in politics, is said to have assisted in this determination. For secretary of state it is understood that Burton plans the contemplate the choosing of Speaker Granville W. Mooney, of Ashtabula county.

Mr. Mooney, only two days ago said very significantly that while he had not definitely concluded to become a candidate, he would not enter the governorship contest. The place he would go after, he said, was the secretaryship.

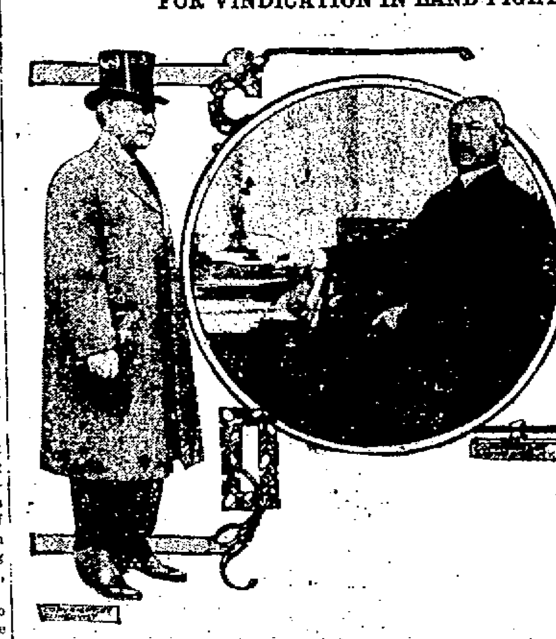
Of course, if Garfield and Mooney, who are from the northern part of the state, are nominated, it will be impossible for geographical reasons to renominate Lieutenant Governor Francis W. Treadway, who lives in Cleveland, and a southern Ohio man will be chosen.

Renick Dunlap, it is understood, will seek a renomination for dairy and food commissioner, if he is not given a cabinet job or the congressional nomination in the Seventh district to succeed J. Warren Kiefer, of Springfield.

As for the other place, President George H. Watkins wants to serve a third term as a member of the state board of public works.

Mercerized Silk Polar Mufflers 39c worth 75c—The Salvage.

RICHARD A. BALLINGER, WHO CALLS FOR VINDICATION IN LAND FIGHT



Washington, Dec. 22.—Political tongues are wagging vigorously over Richard A. Ballinger's demand for an investigation of the now celebrated Ballenger-Pinchot controversy. The secretary of the interior was moved to action by the speech made by Representative Hitchcock of Nebraska demanding that Congress at once begin a general probing of the land office. Mr. Ballinger went to the White House and put the matter up to President Taft, declaring that he could no longer rest silent under the criticism directed at him from the Pinchot faction. That more political significance attaches to the fight on Secretary Ballinger than appears on the surface is the statement made by those who profess to be neutral in the matter. His principal opponents are strong adherents of Mr. Roosevelt and in some quarters are regarded as the nucleus of a Roosevelt 1912 machine.

Home From Delaware

Russell Anderson, a law student at Delaware, arrived home Wednesday to spend the Christmas vacation with relatives in the city.

Great line of Pipes at Nye's.

Here From Columbus

Charles Sommer, book keeper for the M. Stanton company of Columbus, will spend the Christmas holidays visiting friends in the city.

Shoe Bargains at Lehman's.

Services to Be Held At New Tabernacle

The new auditorium of the First Baptist church which is being built on Gallia and North Waller, is so near completion as to enable definite announcements to be made concerning the future services.

Owing to the fact that next Sunday will be the close of the present pastorate, preparations are being hurried to move at once into the new building before it is entirely finished.

The Christmas entertainment of the Sunday school will be held in the auditorium on Friday evening. This will be the first public service held there. The public is cordially invited. On next Sunday the temporary pastorate of Rev. G. Rector Dye Ph. D. will close with his farewell sermon in the evening. It will be the only service which the departing pastor will be able to have in the auditorium. From the first of January he leaves the pastorate to become a general field secretary for the Baptist Foreign Mission Society. The public is cordially invited to attend the services at the new auditorium from now on.

CHAS. E. HARD TALKS WITH BATTLER

Wednesday must have been Congressman Johnson's "day at home" to the faithful postmasters of his district, judging by the two items that follow from the Morning Irontonian. That paper says:

"Chas. E. Hard, postmaster of Portsmouth and editor of the Blade of that city, was here Wednesday consulting with Congressman Johnson relative to the appropriation for an addition to the Portsmouth government building. Mr. Hard reported business as being very good in his home city, the merchants all having enjoyed an exceptionally heavy Christmas trade."

"O. C. Andre, of Waverly, was here Wednesday consulting with Congressman Johnson concerning matters politically in his home city."

"The Grimes" will have a fine Christmas menu. Parties desiring service please telephone the office.

GRIMES HOTEL.

TWO MATINEES AT ORPHEUM

The bill that has been sent in for Christmas is a good one, and will be sure to please the most critical. In order that they may take care of the usual holiday crowds, two matinees will be given on Christmas day, the first one at 2:00 o'clock and the second at 3:15. This is done so every one will have a chance to see the show without being crowded and having to stand. You can phone for seats for night performances.

Special ladies' holiday umbrellas at 98c, the handles are worth $2.00 and $2.50—The Salvage.

Still Has Eyes On Portsmouth

Parkersburg, W. Va., Dec. 23.—A baseball war is threatened here as the result of the efforts of two organized leagues to get into Parkersburg. What the result will be is hard to foretell. The rivals now after Parkersburg are John A. Spinney, of Cincinnati, representing the Virginia Valley league, composed of Parkersburg, W. V., Marietta, O., Ashland, Ky., Huntinton and Charleston, W. Va., and Chillicothe, O., Portsmouth may be added if that city drops out of the Ohio State league, says President James D. Groninger, who last year headed the Pennsylvania-West Virginai league known as the "Pawva."

Gronninger claims that he has Charleston, Huntington and Parkersburg reserved and that there will be a fight before the national association of minor leagues. He alleges that Spinney has acted in bad faith with the capitalists of Huntington and Charleston.

..When in want of good whiskey mail us your order. Express paid on orders of $2.50 or more...Price list furnished upon request.
I. LEVI & CO., 224 E. Third St., Cincinnati.

WORLD FAMOUS PRELATE WHO IS ILL IN ROME

Cardinal Sartolli, who is ill in Rome, is in receipt of hundreds of messages of sympathy from churchmen and laymen in America. He made hosts of warm friends on his visits to this country. The cardinal is suffering from nephritis, and the principal alarm over his condition is due to the weakness of his heart. He has not been in the best health for more than a year, but until recently his illness was not regarded as serious. He was born in 1839. Archbishop Ireland recently paid his respects to the cardinal in a glowing eulogy. He also sent a message of sympathy to the famous prelate.

ADKINS AND HIS BRIEF PICTURE EXPERIENCE IN CIRCLEVILLE O.

The Circleville Daily Union-Herald of Wednesday has this item concerning a Fullerton, Ky., young man, who is also well known in Portsmouth:

"The Palace moving picture show is no more, Boyd Adkins having skipped out Friday night. He told some of his acquaintances that his moving picture machine had burned out and he was going to Columbus to have it repaired.

"Mr. A. T. Mitchell, the 'angel' who put up the money to finance the business, was left in charge and held the sack until yesterday, and then departed for Dayton. Mr. Adkins came from Fullerton, Ky. He claimed that he represented the Family Amusement company, of 1130 Third avenue, New York, of which concern F. J. Badei is president. Whether there is such a concern in existence is a question.

"Mr. Adkins burned a film costing $150 several weeks ago, and ever since then his business was on the 'toboggan.' Mr. Adkins left the city with several bills unpaid, although Mr. Mitchell claims he gave Adkins the money to pay the rent and advertising bills.

Mr. Mitchell had to sell his moving picture machine to pay for the film destroyed by fire."

Adkins, the man referred to in the above article, is now in Portsmouth. He denies that he "skipped out" from Circleville, claiming that as the business did not pay he simply quit and came back home.

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Home From Maiden Trip

Walter Helt, a former clerk at Marting Bros., dry goods store, arrived home Thursday from his long trip out as traveling salesman for the Wolfe Shoe company of Columbus. He has been making the state of Tennessee for his firm and has met with gratifying success.

Suits and overcoats at the Famous, 131 West Second St. 21-3

Men's Suspenders in fancy reed boxes 44c worth 75c—The Salvage.

Interesting News From Steel Plant

The Portsmouth Steel Company's plant will suspend operations Friday evening at 6 o'clock and remain idle save in the open-hearth department until Monday morning.

The company it is said has decided to allow the open-hearth employees double pay for working on Christmas day and Sunday. Only two of the five furnaces are at present in operation an accident having occurred to one of them Tuesday. The new six-ton furnace which has been under construction for some time past is nearing completion.

The jobbing mill was equipped with new pinions Wednesday and resumed its runs. The bar mill broke a hoisting as a result of which it will be shut down for a week.

The structural iron is about all up for the new blooming mill and it will not be many more weeks until it can be placed in operation. It will have three times the capacity of the present bloomer.

Charles Dixon and Soc Plummer, the new day and night superintendents respectively, are getting along swimmingly and promise to develop into Class A mill men.

Fall From Car Kills Greenup Citizen

Lewis C. Towney, a former resident of Greenup, who died at St. Louis from concussion of the brain, caused by a fall from a street car, was buried at Greenup Monday. He had many friends in Greenup county.

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MACHINE AND MAN.

A farmer was quoted, the other day as saying that it was the town fellows with automobiles who were stirring up all this agitation about issuing bonds to build roads.

That is certainly a mistake. We happen to know a good many owners of automobiles, though we are not so fortunate as to be in that class ourselves, and we can say if none other is distressing himself more than the majority of them about good roads, the project has slight impetus.

The fact is the agitation for good roads is born of a necessity and not of a pleasure. The world solves rapidly all problems, where solution adds to its needs and profits, except this single one of good roads. It is singular, indeed, the exception. For few things contribute more to comfort and prosperity than highways at all times easily passable. They save immeasurably in waste and time, which are ever the chief elements of profits, and they enhance in values, which are self evident gain. It seems as though the best and most earnest effort of citizenship should be put forth to secure them. Efforts to that end should be encouraged, not to the end of incautiousness by approval of every scheme and project broached, but at least not by discountenance of every suggestion offered and reproach of him so endeavoring. The daily mail delivery and the telephone are becoming the necessities of farm life, though no one would have regarded them so ten years ago. Immeasurably, however, above these stand good roads. He who solves the problem presented in their attainment will rank as the greatest benefactor of his kind. Let us say here too the automobile is going to be one of the great factors in the solution It is looked upon today as a mere luxury, but the time will come and that soon when it will be in common use and so a necessity. It will to a large degree take the burdens of team and wagon and there will have to be roads to accommodate it to the demands put upon it.

THE VERDICT.

The Royal Geographical society of Denmark, has, after supposably through examination of his observations, declared Dr. Frederick Cook's claimed discovery of the north pole an imposture. That is unfortunate but more unfortunate is the fact, that Cook himself by so far inexplicable conduct gives support to the finding of the society.

Yet there are some things which go to show that the man himself did not set up his alleged bogus claim with the corrupt purpose of making a golden harvest out of it. For had his purpose been this he would have continued on the lecture platform, where fabulous price was his, so long as breath was in him, and he would have have hasted to sell his book or his alleged discovery at the fortune offered him before the climax of exposure and disgrace came. These things he did not do. It will be maintained, of course, that fear of the exposure he knew was impending and certain would have brought him to pause. But the very fact that he could conceive and practice such a monumental fraud offers in itself the best proof that he would have played his game hard and fast to the limit.

So fixed was popular belief in Cook that it is dazed, rather than put to utter rout by his exposure. Not being qualified to dispute with so learned a body as the Royal society, way down somewhere it holds a dull hope that a something may turn up to prove that a terrible injustice has been done by its verdict. But it is right here that Cook's conduct becomes inexplicable. He has dropped entirely out of sight. He neither stays in the open like one innocent, confident of his own cause, nor fights for his own like a brave man. Even though his health be broken down, as said, by the storm of accusation that has raged against him, that is no sufficient reason for him, or his friends making total concealment of him or his actual condition. Such a policy but gives confirmation to the justice of the dreadful fate that has fallen upon him.

A TOUGH TASK.

Some of the small fry in the Republican party are trying to throw salt on the tail of the dove of peace so it may be cooped up and kept secure in camp. They are essaying not only the hopeless but the impossible, as they go at it. They do not realize that conditions political have changed. They are proceeding on the theory that the party is suffering from a passing disorder and not from a constitutional disease. So they propose to cure it by a more local application, instead of using an internal remedy, going to the root of the ill. Yes, more ridiculous than that because it is sick unto death of a germ they propose a double dose or more of the same germ. In other words, now that the party is in sore straits from one man bossism they are going to make attempt at reviving it by creating two bosses or a Junta of little captains in the place of a lord over all.

It will not work. The malady that afflicts the Republican party of Scioto county is bossism, bossism that has dulled its spirit, debauched its honor and sapped its strength. To regain its stature it needs not more bossism but the old time freedom of action and independence of honesty. It is calling to go its own way and make its own choice, unbridled of boodle and unridden of boss, or machine. If the signs point right and ripe it is going to go that way too or know the reason why it may not. Its new appointed wet nurses may think they are wondrous wise in devising nostrum, but they can not fool it. Sugar coating the pill by giving the old boss one half the ticket and the insurgents against him the other half may look sweet as a compromise, as a cure it is nil. The Republican party has reached that desperation where it will have candidates of its own fair choice and officers to do its service, and not that of other man and master, or it will take the case in its own hand and apply heroic measures to its own restoration. Thus come to naught the efforts of the amiable and tender ones who are trying to sprinkle the salt. And there is another point they reck not of. The political boss who concedes half gives up all. No man can serve two masters, neither can a house divided against itself stand Boss Clark knows this as well as the next one and he is the first man to be reckoned with when it comes to arranging compromise. He knows he couldn't run a crew half insubordinate and taking order from another master. He realizes full well the danger, under such circumstances, of mutiny soon rising triumphant and he be marooned or the vessel run afoul of reef or shoal. No, sir, Boss Clark has got to be accepted or he has got to be pitched bodily overboard. There is to be no sleeping between the two propositions. The bird will never set the until the latter of these is accepted.

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News And Gossip From The Capitol

Columbus, Dec. 23.—Ohio supporters of William Green refuse to concede that Tom L. Lewis has defeated him for the presidency of the miners' national organization. Lewis is claiming re-election by a big majority, but Green's friends say that this is a way he has and they assert the contest is close and that it will not be known who has won until the votes are counted at the annual convention, held in Indianapolis in January. Mr. Green will be succeeded as president of the Ohio organization by Dennis H. Sullivan of Coshocton, who has been vice president since 1899. He has no opposition for the office. There are two candidates to succeed him as vice president—John Moore of Perry county, and James Graham of Jackson county. There is a warm fight on for secretary treasurer. George W. Savage of Portage county, who has filled that office for many years, is opposed by Perry Tetlow of Columbiana county, who is a member of the special state commission, which is drafting a new code of mining laws. There is a contest on for member of the national board from Ohio. The candidates are Andrew Watkins of Belmont county and Edward Thomas of Perry county. The elections for these offices will take place at the annual meeting to be held in Columbus, early in January. After this meeting is over the delegates leave for the national convention at Indianapolis, where joint sessions are held with the operators. Whether there will be any trouble over the scale agreement for next year will not be known until both sides get together.

It took the legislature exactly five months to dispose of a codification report in 1879 and that report was not half as large as the one which the present general assembly will have before it in January.

The rules of procedure by which this report was considered was dug up by Senate Clerk John R. Malloy and he has had a copy of them sent to each member. They will probably suggest something which will be of value in the handling of the report. Speaker Mooney hopes to have the report disposed of in six weeks.

Core S. Ireland, the popular sergeant-at-arms of the senate is not overlooking any bets. When he was appointed census supervisor for his district, it was heralded broadcast that he would let go of the job of sergeant-at-arms, but after thinking the matter over carefully, he has reached the conclusion that there is no necessity for him doing anything of the kind, so he will hold down both jobs, greatly to the disappointment of a host of patriots who were getting in shape to fight for the place they expected him to give up. Core was at the senate chamber, Wednesday afternoon, and gave orders that his seat should be carefully dusted and put in readiness for his occupancy.

Harry M. Daugherty, the Columbus attorney, who has announced himself as a candidate for the U. S. senate always reserves the right to change his mind. When he joined with Theodore E. Burton in making war upon Senators Foraker and Dick at the Dayton convention three years ago, he declared that he was not actuated by any desire to profit politically and he called upon the convention to write it in the platform that he should never have any public office. This offer was derided then. It may be that because it was rejected Mr. Daugherty may not feel himself bound to live up to it. In passing it may be said that Mr. Daugherty is the most mentioned man for office that the state has now. This sort of thing started when he was a candidate for governor against Bushnell.

Men's Jap Silk Initial Handkerchiefs 7½c worth 15c—The Salvage.

Put to Work At Hospital

Otis Brown, claiming Martinsville, Ind., as his home, appeared at police headquarters Wednesday with a hard luck tale of being unable to find any employment. As Hempstead hospital is short on help Safety Director James P. Brennan offered him a job there without pay. Brown jumped at the chance and from all reports is proving a good all around man. He will be retained a few days or until he can find employment elsewhere.

Turning Over Paraphernalia

Chief Davidson bids fair to succeed in recovering paraphernalia in the possession of former members of the city police department.

The chief sent out requests the other day. The first to respond was Ex-Policeman Jim Goad who on Wednesday turned over a couple of helmets, two wreaths and a patrol box key. Former City Physician Dr. Smith also surrendered a patrol box key that had been entrusted to him during a smallpox epidemic a few years ago.

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Gus Mooter, a popular N. & W. engineer is wrestling with an attack of the grip.

OFFICER M'CARTY MADE BEST SCORE AT POLICE SHOOT

Officer Tom McCarty carried off honors at the police target shoot at Coburn's hill near Athletic park Wednesday afternoon. McCarty scored highest at a 50 ft. range and was given a silver cigar holder and tray for a prize. Officer Martin Cook was a close second and had the honor of distributing a box of cigars among his fellow officers. Both prizes were personally given by Chief Davidson who himself took no part in the regular match but afterwards gave an exhibition of his skill with firearms. Mayor Searey was also present and surprised the entire crowd by some remarkably fine shooting. All of the men proved that they were improving their marksmanship. The shooting will be continued weekly and later a gold medal will be offered as a permanent prize.

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Special sale on X-mas jewelry. Just received big line of high grade bracelets worth from $3.50, $7.50, holiday sale $4.98. Prices reduced on all other jewelry 75 to 50 per cent.

JOS. RESINER, 703 Chillicothe Street.

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Fire, Boiler, Accident, Life, Liability, Elevator, Burglary, Sprinkler Leakage, Fly Wheel, Plate Glass and Automobile Insurance.

THE FRANK B. FINNEY CO. Second and Washington.

Voliva To Stay In Jail

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 23.—The petition of Wilbur Glenn Voliva, successor as head of Zion City to John Alexander Dowie, for a writ of habeas corpus to secure his release from the McHenry county jail, was denied today by the Illinois supreme court.

Volivia is serving sentence for failure to pay a judgment of $10,000 against him. He will spend Christmas in jail.

Frank Miller, an N. & W. engineer went to Cincinnati on a brief visit Wednesday.

Pres. Ellis Breaks Ankle

Athens, O., Dec. 23.—Dr. Alston Ellis, president of Ohio University, sustained a broken ankle this morning by falling on the floor of his office when he attempted to eject a student named Frank Horton at whose personal remarks he became enraged. Just about this time last year President Ellis had his other leg broken by falling on the ice, from which he has never fully recovered.

Imported Silk 4-in-hands in fancy boxes 39c worth 75c—The Salvage.

THE MARKETS

Opening.

Wheat Dec. $1.14½; May $1.10 July $1.01.

Corn Dec. 61⅜; May 65¾; July 65½.

Oats Dec. 43½; May 45⅛; July 42⅝.

Close.

Wheat Dec. $1.16¼; May $1.11⅛; July $1.01¾; Sept. 97½.

Corn Dec. 62½; May 66⅜; July 66⅛.

Oats Dec. 44⅛; May 45⅝; July 43⅛; Sept. 40.

Attend Lehman's Shoe Sale.

WANTED

Energetic, capable men or women to sell kitchen utensils in this county, $4 to $8 a day can be made readily. References required. Address Chas. C. Hubbell & Co., Columbus, Ohio.

FOR SALE!

Texas Land.

5 Sections good land. Well located under lease 5 years, subject to sale. Optional whether owner wants possession or not at $7.50 per acre.

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MERLE O. DUDUIT

Room 300 Masonic Temple.

TIMMONDS ADDITION LOTS FOR SALE!

The most desirable residence locality in Portsmouth.

Lots 50x150 ft., on 100 foot St. Sidewalks laid. Located on hilltop car line.

For prices and terms, see FILMORE MUSSER, 49 Turley Bldg.

J. E. SHUMP, 1446 Grandview Ave HOME PHONES.

DO YOU

Want to buy a Home and have not enough money? SEE US. We make loans on Real Estate.

THE ROYAL Savings and Loan Company

Second and Washington Sts. Portsmouth, O.

COL. KERENS, HIS WIFE AND DAUGHTER, WHO WILL REIGN IN SPLENDOR AT VIENNA.

The appointment of Richard C. Kerens of St. Louis to be ambassador to Austria-Hungary has aroused more social interest at Washington than any other happening of the year, for there are few families in our of public life enjoying higher social distinction at the capital than that of the distinguished Missourian. The appointment also has its romantic side, for when Colonel Kerens reaches Vienna he will establish his embassy upon a scale of splendor in keeping with his vast fortune, and his wife and daughter will have as guests from time to time some of the wealthiest and most charming American heiresses. One of their first visitors will be Miss Katherine Elkins, daughter of Senator Elkins of West Virginia, and society at Washington already has begun to forecast a revival of her romance with the Duke of the Abruzzi. Colonel Kerens and Senator Elkins are life-long friends, and Miss Gladys Kerens and Miss Elkins have been chums since childhood. Both Mrs. Kerens and her beautiful daughter—she is one of the most strikingly handsome young women in this country—already hold a high social position in Europe. Miss Kerens' coming out party, given at Washington two years ago, is still the talk of the capital, for it was an affair of decided splendor. Their home in Vandeventer place, St. Louis, is the scene of the most elaborate society events in the city.

Replevin Suit Is Hard Fought

Thursday's jury in Judge Blair's court was occupied until noon in hearing the replevin suit of Thomas Riley against John and Celia Riley to recover the possession of a horse valued at $25. Arrayed as the parties in this action were one brother against another, with their 77-year-old mother as party defendant with the son, John.

The action was originally brought in the court of Squire Reichenlaub, in Brush Creek township and was appealed to common pleas. Thos. K. Funk was plaintiff's attorney, while Mark A. Crawford represented the defendants. The case was bitterly fought and considerable feeling was displayed between the Rileys, their litigation being the outcome of family differences. About a score of witnesses were brought in to testify in the case, and by the time it is settled up, the cost will be three or four times the value of the horse.

The plaintiff and his witnesses claimed that he had owned the horse ever since his late father had deeded him the home farm, during his life, some seven or eight years ago. This was disputed vigorously by the aged mother, who insisted that the horse was her property and that she proposed to keep it.

Mrs. Riley got into several warm tilts with Attorney Funk and the way she scored the attorney at times was a caution. Mr. Funk took account of her advanced age and accepted the woman's statements in good humor along with the others in the court room.

Mrs. Riley and her son, John, have a case pending against this plaintiff in which they are seeking to set aside the deed of the home farm. They alleged that it was given to Thomas Riley on condition that he care for his parents during life, and that he has failed to do this. For his defense to this suit Thomas Riley says that the mother was coaxed away from his home for the sole purpose of bringing this suit. This deed case is to be heard in the court later in this term.

The jury in the replevin suit deliberated for half an hour before noon without arriving at a verdict. It was then adourned for dinner with orders to report again at 1 o'clock.

The jury in the Riley replevin suit reported at 3 o'clock and gave its verdict for the plaintiff. It had been out a little over three hours. Defendants' attorney, Mark A. Crawford, at once gave notice of a motion for a new trial.

JOCKEY BOOTS

Something new for boys and girls. See them in Burt & Hall's windows.

College Boys Come Home

William Atlas and Arthur Findeis, local students at the Ohio State University are home to spend the holiday vacation with their parents.

LAST DAY

Friday will be the last day of the demonstration of "Wear Ever" aluminum at Hibbs'. Don't fail to attend.

Judge Calvert Has the Grip

Judge R. A. Calvert, well known West Second street attorney is under the weather with a heavy attack of grip.

OH, YOU KIDS

Ask your parents to get you a pair of Jockey Boots for Christmas. Burt & Hall have them.

D. W. Gustin Out Again

D. W. Gustin, who has been ill for the past two months with a painful attack of sciatic rheumatism has taken a turn for the better this week and was able to be about Thursday.

SAY LITTLE GIRLS

Have you seen the Jockey Boot at Burt & Hall's store.

"The Grimes" will have a fine Christmas menu. Parties desiring service please telephone the office.

GRIMES HOTEL.

SAVE MONEY

By selling Calves, Hogs and Cattle on foot, also Hides and Tallow to me. Highest market prices paid. See or phone

W. M. PATRICK Sciotoville, Ohio.

VICTIM OF FLAMES LAID TO REST

The funeral of the little Coyle child, which met a cruel fate by falling into an open grate fire and burning to death, Tuesday evening, was held from the home of the heart broken mother, Mrs. Catherine Coyle, 136 Mill street, Thursday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. Rev. Meacham of the First Christian church was in charge. The charred remains of the little tot were laid to rest in Greenlawn.

JOCKEY BOOTS.

Just the thing for little boys and girls. Burt & Hall have them.

SOCIAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. John Wente of East Fourth, are the proud parents of a fine baby daughter born to them Thursday morning and regarded peerless, as a Christmas gift.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Q. Shump will entertain with a family dinner Christmas their children and grandchildren, Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Hutchens and baby Howard of Sciotoville and Mr. and Mrs. William Bennett and son Richard of Springfield.

Miss Kate Jones and Mr. William Stevens were married on Wednesday evening at the home of the officiating minister, Rev. James Eason, pastor of Bigelow church. The bride was attired in a traveling dress of brown, with hat and gloves en suite. From the parsonage the happy couple repaired to the home of the bride's widowed mother, Mrs. W. D. Jones, where they will reside. On Christmas they will be guests of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Stevens, of Grandview avenue, at a family dinner, and from there will go to Columbus Christmas afternoon to spend several days as guests of friends. Congratulations are in order.

For Men

Full Dress Accessories at Schwartz's. 11

Bailey Post Is to Meet

There will be a meeting of Bailey Post G. A. R. Friday, Dec. 24, at 7 p. m. at the hall over the Security bank. A good attendance is desired.

A. J. FINNEY, P. C.

RIVER NEWS

Down Boats.

Greenland for Cincinnati, Monday noon.

Greenwood for Cincinnati, Tuesday noon.

Tacoma for Cincinnati, Wednesday, 2 p. m.

Queen City for Cincinnati, Wednesday 2 p. m.

Greenland for Cincinnati Thursday 6 p. m.

Greenwood for Cincinnati, Friday 6 p. m.

Virginia for Cincinnati, Friday 2 p. m.

Tacoma for Cincinnati, Sunday noon.

Ohio for Cincinnati, Sunday, 2 p. m.

Up Boats.

Ohio for Pittsburg, Tuesday, 8 a. m.

Tacoma for Pomeroy, Tuesday, 8 a. m.

Greenland for Pomeroy, Wednesday 10 a. m.

Greenwood for Pomeroy on Thursday 10 a. m.

Tacoma for Charleston, Friday 8 a. m.

Queen City for Pittsburg, Friday 8 a. m.

Greenland for Pomeroy, Saturday 10 a. m.

Virginia for Pittsburg, Sunday 8 a. m.

Greenwood for Charleston, Sunday 8 a. m.

Steamer "Greyhound" leaves every day at 2 p. m. for Huntington, W. Va. tf

The Kanawha and Big Sandy rivers and the Ohio, except at Portsmouth, are falling. The guage at Cincinnati Wednesday registered 11.9 feet, a fall of 0.9 of a foot during the past 24 hours. The stages at other points Wednesday were: Franklin 1.8, fell 0.1; Greensboro 7.3, stationary; Pittsburg 6.0, rose 0.2; Dam No. 6, 4.8, fell 0.8; Wheeling 4.5, rose 0.2; Parkersburg 4.7, fell 0.8; Redford 0.3, stationary; Hinton 4.3, fell 0.2; Kanawha Falls 1.1, fell 0.7; Charleston 2.7, fell 0.1; Pt. Pleasant 3.9, fell 0.9; Huntington 9.5, fell 1.1; Catlettsburg 7.5, fell 0.5; Portsmouth 8.7, fell 1.1; Maysville 9.4, fell 1.1; Louisville 6.5, fell 0.1; Evansville 8.4, stationary; Paducah 11.3, fell 0.2; Cairo 17.6, fell 1.0; Memphis 11.9 rose 3.2; Vicksburg 19.3, fell 1.0; New Orleans 6.7, rose 0.1.

PRESENTS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS.

We have the new Jockey Boots that would make a dandy present. Burt & Hall have them.

How the Tariff Boosts Prices

Columbus, O., Dec. 23.—The Ohio State Live Stock Commission has had a practical demonstration of what the new tariff law does to the ultimate consumer.

The commissoon sent a hypodermic instrument to Germany for repair and it was announced today that the instrument was returned yesterday and with it a bill from Uncle Sam for $1.15 as duty.

This was based on an ad valorem of 45 per cent. When purchased the instrument cost $2.50. The same kind of an instrument cannot be procured in the United States, and in spite of that there is a high tariff put on it, increasing the cost of the article nearly one-half.

Men's Silk Initial Handkerchiefs 5c worth 10c—The Salvage.

Negro Stole Underwear

Albert Crothers, a young Tennessee negro, was arrested by Officer Cook Wednesday evening in complaint of Emory Burgess and Chester Witt. The two men claimed that the negro had stolen some underwear and socks belonging to them and they had no trouble in identifying the garments when the fellow was arrested. He was fined $4.80 and could not pay. He was ordered to get out of town as fast as his legs or a freight train would carry him.

Name Receiver For Cement Co.

Wellston, O., Dec. 23.—Judge W. H. Middleton has appointed J. Henry Browne receiver of the Ohio Portland Cement upon the application of William McGhee, a stockholder.

Men's Suspenders in fancy, reed boxes 44c worth 75c—The Salvage.

ONE DOCTOR WHO WAS STUNG BY W. C. T. U.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 23.—No more controversies with the members of the W. C. T. U., thank you. That is the way Dr. G. A. Meyer of Buffalo, Dallas county, Missouri, puts it, and he says he means it. Dallas county is a dry county.

The women of the W. C. T. U. in that county began to say things about Dr. Meyer's prescribing whiskey for earache, toothache, stomachache, lame back and most every other kind of complaint.

Dr. Meyer resented it, and wrote a letter to a local paper, which was published, in which he included a prayer for the women for what he termed their shortcomings.

This resulted in the revocation of Dr. Meyer's license to practice medicine on the charge that he had been guilty of conduct unbecoming a physicium.

Dr. Meyer appealed and the court here today put the doctor on a year's probation. If at the end of that time the W. C. T. U. in Buffalo, Mo., and the state board of health believe his conduct is above reproach, he will be restored to his rights as a physicinn.

Cuts Off Woman Without A Farthing

Indianapolis, Dec. 23—The codicil to the will of George Rhodius, filed for probate today, leaves the residue of his estate of about five hundred thousand dollars to be applied to the improvement of parks in Indianapolis. The original will gives only fifty thousand dollars to the woman known as Elma Dare, who appealed to the Indiana supreme court to declare void the annullment of her marriage to him. A codicil to the will cuts Elma Dare off without any share in the estate. Rhodius died last Monday in a sanitarium.

Valuable Colt Breaks Leg

When Frank Briggs returned to his West Side farm from a shopping expedition in the city Wednesday evening he found one of his colts had a leg broken. It is supposed the colt was kicked. Mr. Briggs shot the colt to end its misery. He had recently purchased it for $135 and just refused an offer of $150.

More Than 20

Ingredients give to Hood's Sarsaparilla its great curative power—power to cure many and varied complaints, including diseases of the blood, ailments of the stomach, troubles of the kidneys and liver.

Many of the ingredients are just what the profession prescribe in the ailments named, but the combination and proportions are peculiar to this medicine and give it curative power peculiar to itself. Therefore, there can be no substitute for Hood's. Get it in the usual liquid form, or in tablets called Sarsatabs.

Santa Claus

DON'T FORGET THOSE BROWNIE KODAKS FOR CHILDREN FROM $1.00 TO $9.00. ALL SIZES. PERFECT.

Wurster Bros.

Leading Druggists. 419 Chillicothe street.

Have your Shoes repaired right at the

ELECTRIC REPAIR SHOP, 356 Gallia Street, Opposite Fire Department.

THE GOODS AND THE PRICE!

If you are looking for a certain piece of Furniture, in a certain design, or in a certain wood, then come to ***HANSEN'S.***

If you are looking for a certain pattern in a Rug, either in Brussels, Axminster, Velvet or Wilton, then come to ***HANSEN'S.***

Now if you are looking for the price, either in Furniture or Rugs, then come to ***HANSEN'S.***

If you have not yet bought a Doll Go-Cart, Express Wagon, Hobby Horse, Child's Rocker, Irish Mail or a Velocipede, then come to ***HANSEN'S.***

THE HANSEN FURNITURE COMPANY

Corner Second and Court Streets

The Store With the GOOD GOODS and LOW PRICE.

WANTS A RECEIVER FOR CEMENT PLANT

Monday, Will McGee, as one of the stockholders, applied to Judge Middleton that he appoint a receiver to take charge of the affairs of the Ohio Portland Cement Co., and the judge named and placed the responsibility upon J. H. Browne, of this city, says the Wellston Sentinel.

The Ohio Portland Cement Co., was organized and incorporated seven or eight years ago, and the intention then was to erect a large cement plant a short distance east of Wellston, but this idea was never realized and the plant was never constructed. Matters kept dragging along year after year until it was finally decided to wind up the affairs of the company.

The Ohio Portland Cement Co. should not be confounded with the Ohio Cement Co., as the latter company is entirely different and distinct and in no way connected with the former company.

For HEADACHE—Hicks' CAPUDINE.

Whether from Colds, Heat, Stomach or Nervous Troubles. Capudine will relieve you. It's liquid—pleasant to take—acts immediately. Try it 10c., 25c., and 50c. at drug stores.

Uncle Ben, Look Here

A dispatch from Gallipolis says James B. Thompson of that town, 80 years old, claims to be the oldest living river steward on the Ohio and Mississippi rivers. He went on the river 66 years ago, on the steamer Dolphin. What has Uncle Ben Johnson got to say about this?

Remember there will be skating and dancing until midnight Friday and Saturday nights at tthe Auditorium. Music by Peerless City band.

BLANKEMEYER,

The

Tailor,

609 Chillicothe Street.

FLOYD REVARE MARRIED ON WEDNESDAY

Floyd Revare, a former shoeworker of this city, who for the past year has been located at St. Joe, Mo., and Miss Elizabeth Barbara Simon, accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Simon, of 137 West Sixth street, were quietly wedded Wednesday night.

The ceremony was said at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Bradford of 34 East Seventh street, by Rev. J. N. Eason, pastor of the Bigelow Methodist church.

The happy couple left early Thursday morning for Indianapolis and other western cities on their wedding trip. The expect to be gone about ten days and on their return will reside with the grooms parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Revare, 509 Offnere street for the present.

The hosts of friends of the popular young couple join in wishing them all happiness for the future.

Men's Suspenders in fancy red boxes 44c worth 75c—The Salvage.

PUSHING WORK ON THE DOUBLE TRACKS

The Chillicothe Gazette says that at noon Wednesday ten more miles of double tracking on the N. and W. between Hayesville and Delano was "cut in," that is to say put in service and there now remains but nine miles of unfinished tracking between this city and Columbus. The completion of the stretch of track which was put into service this noon leaves but four miles unfinished between Columbus and Delano, this being from Gregg and Hayesville, which is exactly four miles. The remainder of the unfinished work lies between Chillicothe and Delano, a distance of five miles, making in all a total of nine miles unfinished. Work on this stretch is now being rushed to completion and it is believed that in a month there will be an unbroken double track system between Chillicothe and Columbus.

On the east end and between Chillicothe and Portsmouth the work is not progressing so swiftly although it too is being rushed to completion. At present the only piece of completed track lies between Renick and Waverly. Between these two points the tracking is now in use but the remainder remains to be completed. Between Portsmouth and Waverly the right of way is literally swarming with workmen, and the work is fast nearing completion at all points, so that in a few months there will be an unbroken stretch of double tracks between Columbus and Portsmouth.

Speculation is rife as to what will be done in connection with the tracking through Chillicothe. It was first announced that the double track would extend no farther than Renick on the south and the other side of the Scioto river on the north, but in view of later developments, although no official announcement has been made, this seems to have been changed. Property through the city has been purchased both on the north and south, and the only way possible in which this property is to be utilized is in construction of a double track clear through the city so that it seems more than probable that within the next few months there will be some vital changes on the road in and near Chillicothe.

Silk Web Paris Garters 39c worth 50c—The Salvage.

Rhodes Sailor In El Paso

In a letter to The Times from Colorado Springs, dated December 19th, Rhodes Sailor says that he had arranged to leave that evening for El Paso, Texas, where he expects to spend some time. Mr. Sailor says he is feeling very well and he sends best wishes to his Portsmouth friends for a merry Christmas.

A Thrilling Rescue.

How Bert R. Lean, of Cheny, Wash., was saved from a frightful death is a story to thrill the world. "A hard cold," he writes, "brought on a desperate lung trouble that baffled an expert doctor here. Then I paid $10 to $15 a visit to a lung specialist in Spokane, who did not help me. Then I went to California without benefit. At last I used Dr. King's New Discovery, which completely cured me and now I am as well as ever." For lung trouble, Bronchitis, Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Croup and Whooping Cough, its supreme, 50c and $1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by The Fisher & Streich Pharmacy.

Are To Give Entertainment

The Knights of Pythias Lodge of Harrisonville are preparing to give a Christmas entertainment with a big tree as the chief attraction Friday evening at their hall. An interesting program has been prepared and a jolly time is looked for.

Muffers and gloves for Christmas presents at the Famous, 131 West Second street. 21-3

Silk 4-in-hands 19c worth 50c—The Salvage.

"JIM" SEBRING CALLED OUT BY GREAT UMPIRE

Williamsport, Pa., Dec. 23. — James D. Sebring, the well known ball player, died at a hospital here Tuesday evening. Sebring had been ill only a short time.

He was at one time a member of the Cincinnati Reds, but jumped his contract and was barred from organized ball for several years. In the meantime he joined an outlaw club, where he flourished for a few years, but later tried to get reinstated with organized ball, but without avail. Sebring's case was turned down several times, but a year ago the commission finally decided to allow him to make a living in his chosen vocation. Jimmy joined the Brooklyn Nationals, and for a few weeks he played as though he was in his prime again, for before jumping his contract Sebring was a great ball player but his troubles were too many during his banished life and they told heavily on him, and he was unable to keep up the fast pace of the big league and Brooklyn released him. Sebring's life was as stormy a one as any ball player has ever had.

Christmas ties and suspenders at the Famous, 131 West Second street. 21-3t

John Book Is to Preach

Rev. John Book will hold the regular religious services at the terminals Sunday at three o'clock and will have for his subject "Future Punishment."

Mandolins and Accordeons at Nye's, Fourth and Chillicothe.

THE BEST SHOES

For the least money,
Let a trial convince you.

C. HANS,
Reliable Shoeman.
535 CALLIA ST.

HAVE A WANT FILL IT WITH A TIMES WANT.

A Gift For Christmas

CAN BE EASILY AND QUICKLY SELECTED HERE. COME IN AND SEE.

HATS, SHIRTS, GLOVES, NECKWEAR, COLLARS and CUFFS,

A "peep" in the show windows will offer you many a suggestion. MAKE AN EARLY CHOICE and secure first pick. Our assortments are very attractive.

HOSIERY, HANDKERCH'FS MUFFLERS, SUSPENDERS, UMBRELLAS,

REIS BROS. Opp. Postoffice

Sweeping Reductions

On All Holiday Goods!

To clean them up tomorrow, the last day before Christmas.

NOTICE — The Clean Cut Reductions on staple good Umbrellas with fancy handles, good all time, sun or rain, $2 values go at **$1.50**

Extra fine Silk Umbrellas, handles will never tarnish, worth $5, reduced to **$3.75**

One set Genuine Natural Mink Furs, worth $75.00, cut to only..... **$50.00**

3 Handsome Fur Collarettes, Shawl effect, regular value $15, cut to **$12.50**

One very handsome Fox Rug Muff, extra large size, regular price $22.00, cut to **$15.00**

Silk Underskirts, good quality, cut full, regular value $4.00, for only **$2.98**

All our $5.00 Silk Underskirts cut to ... **$3.98**

All Linen Hand Embroidered Waists worth $3.50, reduced to only **$2.75**

Sweeping reductions on all Toilet Sets, Fancy Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, Mufflers and everything else of holiday merchandise reduced in order to clean up. Hurry, hurry, before your neighbor gets the best.

The Atlas Trading Co.

603 CHILLICOTHE STREET

The home of Kabo Corsets and Simpson's Kid Gloves

A BOOTLEGGER PLEADS GUILTY

Sheriff Gillen Wednesday evening picked up Lark Newman, a brickworker, who was indicted last December for boot-legging. He spent the night in jail and when arraigned before Judge Blair Thursday pleaded guilty to the charge. The usual fine of $200 and costs was assessed against him.

Newman started out to raise a portion of the money to save himself a trip to the workhouse. No part of the sentence is suspended, but he will be allowed to pay up in installments.

The charge against Newman was one of the first cases begun after the town went dry. He was indicted for furnishing liquor to Robert Kline, whose wife this week secured a divorce from him. Newman figured in these cases with Jim Anderson, who got a trip to the workhouse nearly a year ago.

At that time, Newman promised the sheriff to report for arraignment, but instead of doing so he skipped out to Kentucky. He had just come back this week when the sheriff learned of the fact and took him into custody.

School Children Contribute to Poor Fund

Miss Kate Vigus, principal of the lower Fourth street school, Thursday turned over to Mayor Searcy an entire wagon load of canned goods, jellies, etc. They were removed to the city relief depot on West Second street. All of the goods were collected and donated by pupils of the school and they are to be commended for the spirit shown.

LICENSED TO MARRY

Floyd L. Revare, 23, shoeworker, and Elizabeth Barbara Simon, 23, both of this city. Rev. Eason.

Charles Billups, 23, farmer of Teays, W. Va., and Lydia Erwin, 18, city. Rev. Atkinson.

All Dolls and Toys at reduced prices.
CORNER BOOK STORE
Second and Chillicothe Sts.

CARTOONIST HAS ARRIVED.

Leslie Rodgers, a well known local boy, arrived home Thursday from Kalamazoo, Mich., where he has been pursuing a course of study in drawing. Rodgers has considerable talent as a cartoonist and is making splendid progress in his studies.

PORTER BOY RECOVERING.

Orville Porter, the West Second street lad who came near dying from the effects of a dose of carbolic acid taken by mistake, Tuesday, was reported doing nicely on Thursday. Attending physicians now consider the youth out of danger.

Sphynx to Meet.

The fraternal order of Sphynx will meet this evening in the Richardson hall.

THE HOUSE OF QUALITY
QUALITY BEST
PRICES LOWEST
Merry Christmas To One And All.
W. L. WILHELM
JEWELER & OPTICIAN
417 CHILLICOTHE ST.

GETS DIVORCE FROM NEGRO HUSBAND

Nellie Polly, white, was granted a divorce from Jordan Polly, colored, by Judge Blair Thursday afternoon, on the grounds of cruelty and failure to provide. She was also restored to her maiden name of Nellie Rayburn. Arthur H. Bannon was her attorney.

The defendant, Polly is now serving a nine year pen sentence for attempted assault upon a white girl named Fultz of the North End a year or so ago. He broke into her home and was bending over the sleeping girl when she awoke and her screams frightened him away.

50c jar Des Miracles, Cold Cream 89c. Will not grow hair. Nye's.

ARCHIE TAYLOR GETS OFF EASY

At the earnest solicitation of friends of the prisoner, Judge Blair has suspended a portion of the sentence imposed upon Archie Taylor, colored youth who pleaded guilty to bootlegging. Payment of one-half of the $200 fine was suspended, pending good behavior. The youth made payment of this amount and will be saved a trip to the work house.

Judge Blair learned Thursday that Taylor used the suit case of James Cowan, also colored, to go after his booze, and also that Jim met him at the train when he returned from Chillicothe. This looked a little suspicious to the court inasmuch as Cowan is himself under a suspended sentence for bootlegging. The judge sent out for Cowan and warned him not to show so much interest in liquor transactions, otherwise he may get to serve out his sentence.

TO TAKE MEN TO THE WORKS.

Sheriff Gillen expects to take Sanford Nichols, a white timber thief and Charles Spaulding, colored bootlegger, to the work house Friday to begin sentences for their offenses. Nichols got $80 and 60 days, while Spaulding must work out a $200 fine and the costs.

Cincinnati and return, $3.25 via C. & O. Low Holiday rates to other points. Call 18 both phones. 15-9

Return From Visit.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pick and son, Chester, of the West Side have returned from a two weeks' visit among relatives and friends at Ceredo, Huntington and other points in West Virginia.

Jack To Find a Wife.

Jack Dalton is erecting a new barn and carefully planning a new home for his West Side farm place and his activity along those lines have started gossip that he is soon to quit Bachelordom.

NO DANGER OF OYSTER FAMINE.

A carload of oysters arrived here from Baltimore over the B. & O. S. W. Wednesday and a similar amount Thursday. On the main line the company has been running extra trains for transporting oysters to western points.

A masquerade ball will be given at the K. of P. hall, over the Security Savings Bank on Tuesday evening, Dec. 28. There will be three prizes, one for the best cake walker, one for the most comically dressed person, and one for the best waltzer. Cincinnati persons will also compete for the cake walk prize. Music by Miss Ethel White and John Austin. Admission 20c single, 40c double. 23-2

Suit For Ejection.

Squire Byron on Thursday gave the plaintiff of eviction against Moses Sparks, who has been occupying a house owned by Rickey in New Boston. Evans and Crawford were plaintiff's attorneys.

Whiskey Business Is On The Boom

Cincinnati, Dec. 23.—Never in the history of the whisky trade of the city has there been such a rush to fill orders for the holiday season. Every firm in the city is overwhelmed with business, nine-tenths of which is for the "dry" territory, and practically all of it going to points south of the Ohio river.

The rush began early in the month and has steadily increased until now it has reached unprecedented proportions. Many of the firms are refusing business, as they cannot keep up with the orders that are pouring in. City salesmen have been called in by several firms which make popular brands, as they cannot get the "booze" out in time.

Every town in the south appears to be clamoring for something to make the Christmas eggnog and punch out of. One company, which went into the mail order business only a couple of months ago, has 40 stenographers working on its mail and is refusing to guarantee shipments before Christmas.

The same thing applies to bottled beer. The big brewing companies are sending out carload shipments as fast as their transportation facilities will permit. It is evidently going to be a Christmas with the real spirit in it down south in more ways than one.

ADAM PFAU REMEMBERS "BILLY BUTT-IN"

Billy Butt-in, the Times weather man, was the recipient Thursday of a unique and most attractive holiday remembrance from Baker Adam Pfau. The presents consisted of Billy's picture done to a turn in ginger bread and decorated with a bust of white icing. On some of the cakes appears the name "Billy Butt-in" and on others "The Times Weather Man."

The cakes are at once a testimonial of the enterprise of Baker Pfau and a tribute to the popularity of the famous weather man of the Times. Billy makes his best bow to Mr. Pfau and hopes that long life and happiness may be his portion.

J. H. Coyle Dies From Paralysis

James H. Coyle, a prominent farmer and father of Mrs. Ed. Herms, of this city, died of paralysis at his home near Franklin Furnace Thursday morning. He was 71 years of age and leaves a wife and four children, Frank and Alice, at home, Mrs. Herms, of this city and Jesse D. Herms, of Birmingham, Ala. The funeral will probably take place Saturday. Interment at Wheelersburg.

To Patrons Of Majestic

The Majestic theatre management announces that while it is at present running continuous shows seats may still be reserved at the box office for the first show each night.

MODEST JACK AS A HERO.

Jack Rhines, the jolly young porter at F. N. Patterson's barber shop, is seriously thinking of making a demand for a Carnegie medal. Jack saved an express driver from being run down by a street car Wednesday evening and did the heroic again Thursday morning by stopping a runaway span of mules on Market street.

CATTLE HAVE FATAL DISEASE.

A strange disease has developed among the cattle owned by A. F. Simon & Bro., the Pond Creek wheelbarrow manufacturers.

One steer died Wednesday night and six others that became similarly afflicted are believed to be in imminent danger of dying.

LEAVE FOR MOLSTER FUNERAL.

Mrs. Henry Molster and her sons, Martin and Ross, went to Detroit Wednesday night to attend the funeral of their son and brother, Walter Molster. Charles Molster, of Washington city, was expected to be in attendance.

Petit Jury Gets Vacation

At close of the Riley case in Common Pleas court Thursday, Judge Blair let the jury off until next Thursday at 1 p. m.

Court adjourned until Friday morning at nine.

To Rehearse for Entertainment.

Persons who will participate in the Christmas entertainment at First Baptist church will rehearse at the new tabernacle this evening. The committee on decorations will also meet there.

Al Yardley, a Columbus contractor, is equipping the Turley building with weather strips.

The C. and O. ferry boat met with a slight mishap Thursday morning but repairs were completed in short order.

Dr. Charles Warriner is reported under the weather with a severe cold and liver complaint.

Child Is Ill.

Raymond Gleim, 14-year-old son of Andrew Gleim of Wheelersburg, is seriously ill with pneumonia fever.

Turnpike Completed.

John Gerding of Tygart, Ky., was in the city Thursday. He says the Fullerton and Tygart turnpike is all completed but about a hundred feet.

'Twas Mitchell, Not Weider.

The prompt settlement of the Arnold claim by the Prudential Insurance Co., was due solely to the efforts of Asst. Supt. J. A. Mitchell of that company, instead of Wm. Weider, as stated in The Times Wednesday.

GOT INTO SWIM AT THE RIGHT TRADE TIME

Hustle pays as the Hansen Furniture company can prove you.

Less than two months ago this company was not thought of. In that time, it has been incorporated, organized and filled its magnificent quarters in the Damurin building at Second and Court, with a splendid stock, chosen with keen appreciation of the wants and demands of the trade of Portsmouth and its territory.

We do not state the whole case in that for the company has been doing business for two weeks and by doing business we mean actually selling goods. It is a great feat to organize a big company and have the goods on hand display, ready for the customer, it is a greater one to actually draw a big and steady patronage in that time. But all these things the Hansen company has done. It has already taken its place as one of the fixed institutions of the town. Of course, there is one supreme reason for this, hustle, pushing things, handling the goods the people want and making the prices right and attractive. The company is surely to be congratulated on its quick success.

BELATED REPORT OF ADMINISTRATOR

Charles C. Cole, administrator of the estate of his late wife, Mary L. Cole, on Thursday mailed to the Probate court a belated inventory of this estate. It shows personal property amounting to $679.25 and money $150.37, total $829.62. This appraisement was made November 19, 1907, by W. M. Briggs, W. E. Pursell and F. B. Kelva.

Recently the late Mrs. Cole's son from a former marriage, Glen and Elmore Ottino, started proceedings through their attorney R. C. Meyers, to have Mr. Cole removed as administrator because he did not file his account within three months as prescribed by law. The matter is still pending in probate.

According to the authentication of the inventory made by Mr. Cole before a notary, he is now located at Luckawanna, Pa.

John Kraemer, an employe of M. F. Carroll & Son's, has gone to his home in Newport, Ky., for the holidays. He will remain until January 8th to attend the marriage of his daughter, Miss Sadie.

REALTY DEALS

Deeds were filed for record on Thursday for the 22 tracts of New Boston real estate acquired by the Portsmouth Steel company for its new improvements. Some of these deeds were first made to Ed. J. Daehler and Arthur H. Bannon and by them afterwards transferred to the Steel company. The deeds were as follows:

Portsmouth Brewing and Ice Co., to Ed. J. Daehler, lot in New Boston, $250.

A. T. Holcomb to same, lot $250.

Ed. J. Daehler to Portsmouth Steel Co., same, two lots, $1, etc.

Harbison Walker to Portsmouth Steel Co., lot, $300.

Thomas J. Basham to Portsmouth Steel Co., about nine acres along Munn's Run, near New Boston, $2,500.

Oscar Barklow to A. H. Bannon lot in New Boston, $1, etc.

Wm. Spriggs to A. H. Bannon lot in New Boston, $1, etc.

Joseph G. Reed Co. to Portsmouth Steel Co., lot in New Boston, $300.

A. Schapire and others to L. D. York, same lot, $1, etc.

L. D. York to Portsmouth Steel Co., same lot, $200.

Wm. Hamm to A. H. Bannon lot in New Boston, $1, etc.

George Clark to A. H. Bannon, one lot, $1, etc.

Adam Reeg to A. H. Bannon, lot, $1, etc.

B. Augustine to A. H. Bannon, lot, $1, etc.

A. H. Bannon to Portsmouth Steel Co., four lots deeded above to A. H. Bannon, $1, etc.

G. H. Heinisch to Portsmouth Steel Co., four lots in New Boston, $1, etc.

Ed. J. Daehler to Portsmouth Steel Co., lot $1, etc.

Albert Knittel to Ed. J. Daehler, lot $200.

Portsmouth Street Railway Co to Portsmouth Steel Co., lot in New Boston, $113.

John and Martin Conley to Portsmouth Steel Co., lot $2,000.

Joseph Marsh to same, $1,300.

Other deeds recorded Thursday were:

Callie Mathiott to Linnie H Coverston, lot in Home addition city, $1, etc.

Alva E. Clark to George C McCain, about 40 acres in Jefferson township, $125.

Emory Radabaugh to George R. McCain, 20 acres in Jefferson township, $85.

George R. McCain to Harrison McCain, same tract, $85.

W. T. Stewart to William Kinker, three lots in New Boston $1, etc.

Mary J. Waters to William Kinker, lot in New Boston, $400.

P. M. Sessions At the Rink

Beginning Friday afternoon, sessions will be inaugurated at the Auditorium rink with music by the full Peerless band. The sessions are to be continued until after New Years day. Much interest is being manifested in the races to be held Friday and Saturday evenings.

EXPRESS COMPANY DOING BIG BUSINESS.

Two vacant buildings on West Front street have been rented by the Southern express company for storing Christmas packages.

The buildings are full of boxes and packages of all sizes and descriptions and the company's forces are fairly snowed under with work. Besides the regular number of wagons they have a big transfer wagon and a number of smaller ones engaged. It is said that the business by far exceeds that of any year in the history of the local office. Similar conditions prevail at the United States express office and it is said that between the two a couple of car loads of liquor shipments have come into Portsmouth within the past week. All freight depot platforms were congested with beer cases and casks.

Home For Holidays.

Cliff Miller, who is attending a pharmacy school in Baltimore, arrived home Tuesday. He is helping out during the holiday rush at the Davis wholesale drug store.

D.D.A.Z. SCARE MEAT DEALERS

There was not a single meat stand on market Thursday morning. The country butchers to all appearances were scared out by Judge A. Z. Blair. They failed to understand his action of last week when one morning he bought small steaks of every stand keeper present.

Ralph Jones Home For Xmas

Ralph Jones rounded in Thursday to spend Christmas with his parents Mr. and Mrs. John Jones of East Second street. Mr. Jones travels in southern territory for the Knox Hat Company of New York.

DRUNK SAVED FROM FREEZING.

But for the police Louis Bagby, a Garrison, Ky., young man would have frozen to death here Wednesday night.

Bagby was found stretched out helplessly drunk in Dr. Lake's alley about 1 a. m. He was almost stiff from exposure. Only ninety cents were found upon him. He was treated to some sound advice by the mayor and fined $4.80 Thursday morning.

MAJESTIC THEATRE
THURSDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY — LAST HALF.
WM. MORRIS REFINED VAUDEVILLE
Big Christmas Week Special!
Edith Earle and Co
With Eva Prout, presenting "The Pocket Edition of Elsie Janis," in the Singing Novelty, "The Last Rehearsal." Four Clever, Dainty Girls.
WAYNE G. CHRISTY
Black Face Comedian.
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Two reels of the usual high class Motion Pictures
Continuous performance from 6:45 to 11,00 each vening.
Christmas Matinee starts at 1:30 cotninuous until 5.00.
Come when you like, go when you please. Price remains the same, 10c and 15c.
FLOYD LEWIS, Mgr.

Our Demonstration Ends Friday Evening!
If you have never attended, come and let Mrs. Croft "Show You" the advantage of using "Wear Ever" Aluminum for cooking purposes in preference to anything else.
On request of several ladies who have tasted her cakes Mrs. Croft has kindly furnished the following receipe.
GRIDDLE OR PAN CAKE RECIPE:
Two cups of flour; two teaspoons of cream of tartar; one teaspoon of soda; two cups of sweet milk; one egg; one large spoon of butter; one teaspoon of salt; one tablespoon of sugar. Sift flour, measure, add cream of tartar, soda salt and sugar to the flour and sift three times. This method mixes all thoroughly. Beat yolk and white of egg seperate, adding milk to the beaten yolk of the egg. More eggs can be used if desired; and the recipe can be doubled if a greater quantity is needed.
The above can be used for corn cakes, using one quarter cup of flour and one and three quarter cups of meal.
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5-8, 8 2-11, 11 2-2
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You'll Find What He Wants at The Burt & Hall Store

We give in this ad a list of things men and boys like. Cut it out of the paper and use it as a memorandum for your Christmas shopping. No such a variety can be found in any other store in Portsmouth.

Men's Suits $8 to $30	Men's Shoes $2 to $6
Men's Overcoats $6 to $30.	Men's Slippers 50c to $3
Cravenettes $10 to $30	Men's Hats $1 to $5
House Coats $5 to $12	Men's Caps 25c to $2
Bath Robes $4 to $10	Suit Hangers 10c to 25c
Men's Sweaters 50c to $5	Shoe Trees 50c to 75c
Men's Trousers $1 to $6	Men's Umbrellas 75c to $5
English Slip-Ons $10 to $15	Men's Shirts 50c to $3
Rubber Coats $2 to $5	Neckwear 25c to $1.50
Men's Gloves 25c to $4	Mufflers 50c to $3
Night Shirts 50c to $2	Suspenders 25c to $1.50

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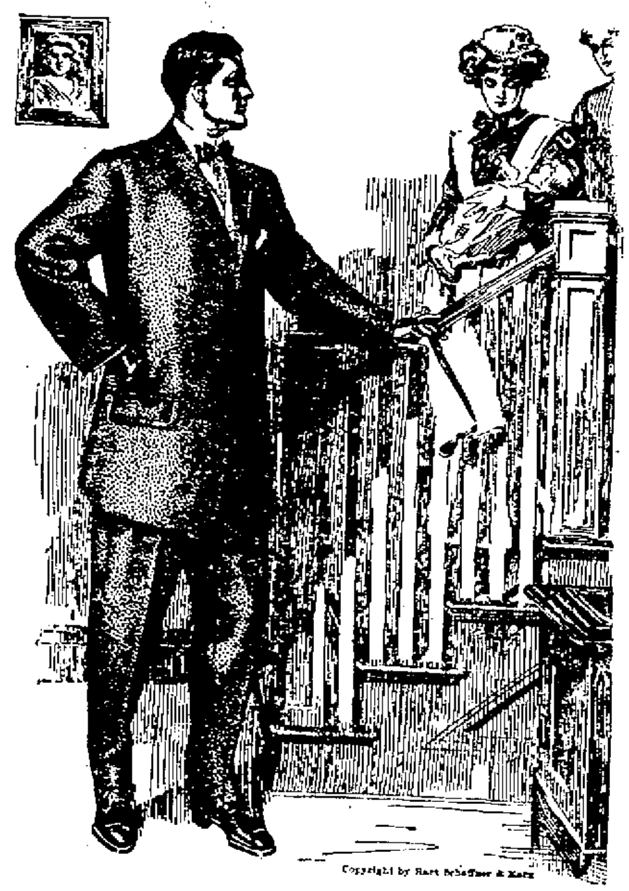
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He will buy something nice for you. Buy something nice for him. You can't go wrong on anything you buy of us, for a man or boy, as we will exchange any purchase for any reason, after Christmas.

Traveling Bags $1 to $25	Youths' Sweaters 50c to $2
Suit Cases $1 to $20	Youths' Shoes $1.50 to $3.50
	Youths' Hats $1 to $3
Trunks $2 to $25	Youths' Caps 25c to 50c
Fancy Vests $1 to $5	Youths' Shirts 50c to $1
Knit Jackets $2 to $5	Youths' Gloves 25c to $1
Pajamas $1 to $3	Child's Suits $1 to $8
Half Hose 10c to $1	Child's Overcoats $1.50 to $8
Handkerchiefs 5c to $1	Child's Hats 50c to $1
Youths' Suits $5 to $20	Child's Gloves 25c to $1
Youth's Overcoats $3 to $15	Child's Sweaters 50c to $2
Youths' Trousers $1 to $4	Child's Shoes $1 to $2.50

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ADMIRAL SCHLEY HAS FAITH IN DR. COOK

Washington, D. C., Dec. 23.—Reaffirming his complete confidence in Dr. Cook Rear Admiral W. S. Schley, retired, has called publicly upon Commander Peary to submit his proofs that he ever reached the north pole to some scientific body other than the National Georgraphic Society. This, the admiral declares, should be done at once in the interests of justice and to establish beyond question the claims of Peary.

The admiral believes that the same body which threw out and repudiated Cook's data should be permitted to pass upon the data submitted by Peary to the Geographic Society.

"The Danes are the best posted body of men in the world on Arctic matters," he said, "The consistory of the University of Copenhagen should be given the opportunity to examine the Peary proofs, for in that way they would be submitted to the same test that was applied to those of Cook.

"The consistory, which was regarded by the civilized world as more than friendly to Dr. Cook showed by its action in turning down the explorer that it holds the scales of justice, as it sees them, evenly and honestlly."

Peary Should Act.

Moreover, Admiral Schley believes that the submission of the proofs to Copenhagen should be insisted upon by Peary despite whatever the National Geographic Society's attitude may be. It was suggested to the officer that the society some time ago officially declared its intention to let scientific bodies of reputable standing examine and test the Peary proofs when they had been passed upon by the soriety.

Admiral Schley reaffirmed his belief in Cook, adding that he believed also that Peary, too, had gained the top of the earth.

The importance of the admiral's demand is increased by the fact that he had had wide experience in the far north. In 1884 he was in command of the Thetis expedition, which result in the rescue of Licutenant Greely and six men who had been cast away at Cape Sabine, and whom the civilized world had practically given up for lost.

For his rescue Schley, then a captain in the service, was awarded a gold watch and a vote of thanks by the Maryland legislature and a medal of honor by the Massachusetts Humane Society.

Shortly after his return from the Thetis' expedition Captain Schley published a book, "The Rescue of Greely," which recounts his struggle in the frozen region.

Eggs Soar To Ceiling

The market was small Thursday morning, but prices were big. That is taking eggs as a basis, for 40 cents a dozen were asked for them. Other products too, were high, all except potatoes, and it looks as though if this thing keeps up, we will all have to turn in and be real Irish, like over there on the Emerald isle.

CAPUDINE for "THAT HEADACHE."

Out last night? Headache and nervous this morning? Hicks' Capudine just the thing to fit you for business. Clears the head—braces the nerves. Try it. At drug stores.

Pure Silk Men's Hose in fancy boxes 50c worth $1.00—The Salvage.

Finest Perfumeries at Nye's, Fourth and Chillicothe.

May Get $50,000,000 For Ohio Improvement

Washington, D. C., Dec. 23.—From whatever angle the recent convention of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress is viewed but one conclusion is inevitable that it marked the beginning of a new epoch looking to the development of the inland waters of the United States.

Never in the history of Washington has there gathered together so representative a body of men and the work accomplished was of such of character that cannot help but be felt in future legislation looking to a comprehensive policy in the treatment and the improvement of our rivers, harbors and canals.

Every occupation was represented by the four thousand delegates in attendance upon the convention and in its personnel was truly representative of the nation.

Not since the organization of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress has there been such intense interest shown as was displayed during the three days of the convention and the resolutions which were unanimously adopted were the result of careful, conservative deliberation.

The remarkable feature of the convention outside its distinguished membership was the distance the delegates traveled to be present and assist in bringing to the attention of the law makers of the nation the imperative needs for a broad and liberal policy toward the great national highways of the country, the rivers and canals. Nearly a hundred delegates came from the Pacific coast, crossing the continent to participate in a great national movement having for its slogan a yearly river and harbor bill carrying $50,000,000 and if current revenues are not sufficient to warrant the appropriation of this sum then a bond issue of fifty millions per year for the space of ten years in order that the projects, which have the endorsement of the corps of engineers may be completed and made to demonstrate that improved waterways are the nation's best regulators of rail rates.

A 50-cent bottle of

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given in half-teaspoon doses four times a day, mixed in its bottle, will last a year-old baby nearly a month, and four bottles over three months, and will make the baby strong and well and will lay the foundation for a healthy, robust boy or girl.

FOR SALE BY ALL DRUGGISTS

Send 10c., name of paper and this ad. for our beautiful Savings Bank and Child's Sketch Book. Each bank contains a Good Luck Penny.

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RUSHES TO RESCUE OF "BATTLING ROM"

The Gallipolis Journal, organ of the Switzer faction in Gallia county, tosses a few discords into the joyous celebration of Christmas, by erupting upon the Hon. Adna R. (Battling Rom) Johnson. The Journal says:

"Congressman Johnson says he is not a Cannon man; but the Tribune says he is a Cannon man. Of course the Tribune knows. It has always admitted its omniscience. Yet, apparently, there is one thing the Tribune does not know; at any rate its false and malicious utterances about congress in general and Congressman Johnson in particular indicate that Editor Sibley does not even suspect that the gang of renegade Republican kickers with whom he consorts and with whom he apologizes, are at this very moment trying to devise plans whereby to nominate and elect as representative from this district one of Cannon's former pets. However, the gang referred to will never encounter any difficulty in inducing Sibley to 'about face,' retract all he has written to 'whoop 'er up' for Cannon and Cannonism, Bannon and Bannonism, and for the Bourbons and Bourbonism.

"Sibley is evidently trying to make himself as ridiculous as that unrated howler in Adams county, who criticises Congressman Johnson because he signs his letters A. R. or Adna R. Johnson instead of Rom Johnson. This Democratic freak of Adams county evidently thinks that President Taft should sign all state papers by merely writing 'Big Bill,' and Governor Harmon should signs his letters 'Jud.'

"The Tribune editor should 'keep sweet' a few weeks longer anyway. He and his associates and overlords certainly ought to have learned from past experiences that they can get all the fighting they want and all they need when the flowers bloom in May, without adorning their shoulders with chips a week before Christmas. The Republican party of this county and of this district has entertained no thought of surrendering to the rebels."

Baby Dies Of Burns

Chillicothe, O., Dec. 23.—Effie Smith, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Smith who was so severely burned at her home near this city Monday morning, died at the hospital yesterday afternoon.

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Why not gladden her heart by choosing as a gift a Haviland Dinner Set, $25.00 to $100.00.

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Silk 4-in-hands 19c worth 50c—The Salvage.

Lets All Go North.

William Higgins, who travels in the northwest for the Selby Shoe company, says up in his territory he strikes weather when it is 20 below zero, and he don't feel it as much as he feels it here when it is 20 above.

A Cleverer Detective than Sherlock Holmes

Will be the verdict of readers in regard to M. Hanaud, a prominent character in a serial story entitled:

"The Murder at the Villa Rose"

By A. E. W. MASON

Author of "The Four Feathers," "Miranda of the Balcony," etc., etc.

In the JANUARY Number of the

Strand Magazine

In "The Murder at the Villa Rose" the abilities of a wonderfully clever detective are taxed to the utmost in bringing to justice the perpetrators of a terrible crime. The ingenuity of M. Hanaud may be compared to the combined genius of Sherlock Holmes, Arsène Lupin and Raffles and we prophesy that of all the famous STRAND stories, Mr. Mason's romance will take first place.

Other Interesting Features

"Plain Men"—from a woman's point of view. "Queer Fallacies and Brain Twisters." "My Funniest Christmas Picture," by leading humorous artists; "Curiosities of the Chess Board;" "If Insects Were Bigger," etc., etc. The color section is entitled "My Most Beautiful Masterpiece," being a series of exquisite portraits by eminent photographers.

Short Stories

By E. Phillips Oppenheim, Horace Annesley Vachell, Arthur Morrison, Richard Marsh, E. Nesbit and others, making the January STRAND a record fiction number.

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Large Crowd From Peebles

Train 28, Cincinnati division, carried three coaches today, all crowded to the platforms. Howard Harsha went to Peebles on an early train and returned on 28, and says the passengers all got on at Peebles and stations this side. And this is only one of the many trains coming into Portsmouth.

Men's Silk Mufflers 48c worth 75c—The Salvage.

Sheppard Is Not With the Royal

The announcement in the Times Wednesday evening that former Recorder George Sheppard was to take a position in the Royal Savings & Loan association company office, to assist the force during the absence of Frank B. Finney, who is in Colorado for his health, was a mistake. The item was news to both the Royal and Mr. Sheppard.

Speaking for the Royal, President Frank L. Marting said that in the absence of Mr. Finney, Vice President Tremper was devoting his time to the institution, that no difficulty was experienced by the office force in keeping up with their work, and no assistance was needed.

As for Mr. Sheppard, he is busy with his insurance and real estate business and has no thought of giving it up even temporarily. He was the most surprised man in town when he learned that he had been moved to a position by the Times.

The item was published through a misunderstanding by a reporter.

Go to Bagby's and buy your jewelry at cost. 617 Chillicothe St. 16-tf

Ladies' Silk Handkerchiefs 7½c worth 25c—The Salvage.

DIGGING FOR GOLD IN LEWIS COUNTY

Joseph Hornung is back from his mining operations in Lewis county, Ky., and will spend part of the winter, at least, at home. He has quite a cabinet of ores at his son, Wesley's store, and talks intelligently and interestingly of the subject of ores and mining. He has specimens from the Pike's Peak and Leadville country, as well as from mines nearer home, some very fine ones from Lewis county, where he is now developing. He has specimens of ores that are found on the West Side and says something will eventually come out of that territory in a large way. In hunting for ore deposits Mr. Hornung uses the "divining rod" which is really a forked branch of witch hazel. He holds the rod by the fork formed by the two branches, while the main branch extends in front. In this position, the prospector walks around over the territory, where it is believed there are mineral deposits, and when the man with the witch hazel is over a spot where there are minerals, Mr. Hornung says the rod will turn downwards. Mr. Hornung used the divining rod out in Colorado for many years and later in Kentucky and in Scioto county and has every faith in its efficiency. His Lewis county speciments appear very rich. Mr. Hornung has fully recovered from the serious spell of sickness which attacked him early in the fall.

Men's Jap Silk Initial Handkerchiefs 7½c worth 15c—The Salvage.

Fountain Pens at Nye's.

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Fine Upright Piano, Oak, $325, my price $203.
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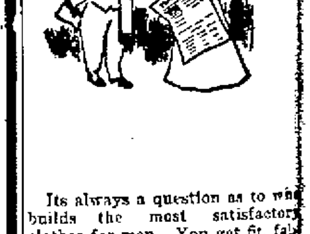

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BEAUTIFUL HOLIDAY PRESENTS

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Several Large Wholesale Stocks to Select Your Christmas Presents From at Trifling Cost For High Grade Merchandise

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LADIES' HEMSTITCHED HANDKERCHIEFS WORTH 10c 3c

CONDITIONS CAUSED BY THE STRINGENCY IN THE MONEY MARKET ENABLED US TO BUY LARGE STOCKS AT OUR OWN FIGURES, MILL OWNERS, MANUFACTURERS AND IMPORTERS NEEDED MONEY, AND BEING UNABLE TO GET USUAL BANK ACCOMMODATIONS HAD TO SELL. ALMOST ANY PRICE WE OFFERED WAS ACCEPTED AND THE RESULT IS THE GREATEST AND MOST SUCCESSFUL SALE IN OUR CAREER. A HOLIDAY OPENING AND ANNIVERSARY SALE THAT ENABLES YOU TO BUY MANY THINGS

GREAT AS THE CROWDS HAVE BEEN AND ENORMOUS THE SELLING, OUR STOCK STILL REMAINS COMPLETE IN EVERY DETAIL!

IF YOU ARE SKEPTICAL ALL WE ASK YOU TO DO IS WHEN YOU ARE UP TOWN TOMORROW LOOK IN OUR WINDOWS. WE WON'T ASK YOU TO COME INSIDE. YOU WILL DO THIS OF YOUR OWN ACCORD.

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Suits and Overcoats at About 35 Cents On the Dollar

... LEADING MANUFACTURERS' LINE OF NECKWEAR AT ABOUT HALF PRICE.

New Silk Four-in-Hands, beautiful patterns, 19c
Worth 25c and 50c.

Men's Silk Teck Ties 10c
Worth 25c.

Imported Silk Four-in-Hands 39c
Worth 75c.

Men's Teck Ties 19c
Worth 50c.

A SENSATIONAL MUFFLER SALE

Ways' Wool Mufflers, plain and Fancy Colors 24c
Worth 50c and 75c.

Mays' Cotton Mufflers, 10c
Worth 25c and 35c.

Men's Silk Mufflers, 48c,
Worth 75c.

Men's Silkoline Reefers, 39c
Worth 75c.

A STARTLING HANDKERCHIEF SALE

Men's Large Silk Initial Handkerchiefs, 7½c
Worth 15c.

Men's Fancy Bordered Handkerchiefs, 5c
Worth 15c.

Men's Fancy Bordered Handkerchiefs, 3c
Worth 10c.

Men's Fancy Silk Handkerchiefs, 19c.
Worth 50c.

Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 5c
Worth 10c.

The latest boys' Plaid and Red Top Coats $2.95
Worth $5.00.

Paris Garters, Silk Webs and no metal touching the flesh. Advertised in all Magazines, 39c,
Worth 50c.

Men's Wool English Walking Hats, $1.45
Worth $3.00.

BIG REDUCTIONS RIGHT IN THE HEART OF THE SEASON

Men's Heavy Fleece Lined Underwear, 34c
Worth 50c.

Boys' Heavy Knee Pants, 48c
Worth 75c.

Men's and Boys' Winter Caps, 19c
Worth 50c.

Men's Wool Sox, extra heavy, 19c
Worth 35c.

Men's Silk Mufflers 48c
Worth 75c.

Polar Mufflers, close fitting and Chest Protectors for Men, Women and Children, all sizes and all colors 39c
Worth 75c.

Men's Suits and Overcoats at less than the price of the raw material. These garments were just recieved and not a suit or overcoat worth less than $9.00 Sale price $3.95

Men's Beaver Overcoats in plain Brown and Black. You could not buy the cloth and trimmings alone elsewhere for the price, worth $10.00. Sale Price $4.85

Men's Suits and Overcoats in many late shades and colors. Clothes that you may never again duplicate for the price. Swell Cassimeres and Worsteds in this lot, never offered for less than $15.00. During this sale $6.85

Men's Suits and Overcoats that are marvels of the tailor's art. Single and double breasted styles. Worsteds and Cassimeres. Also Plain Black, Thibets, fully worth ..$16.00 Sale price $7.85

Men's Handsome Suits and Overcoats, plain colors and stripes. These are positively the best suits and Overcoats ever shown by us at the price. Could easily be sold for $02.00, but our price is only $9.85

Men's Finest Suits and Overcoats. A swell array of nobby garments tailored in fashion's latest decree made of pure wool cloths. Every garment lined with Sorge or Satin, sewed with pure dye silks. Worth $25, sale price. $12.75

FURNISHINGS AT A FRACTION OF THEIR REAL VALUE

Holiday Suspenders in Fancy Boxes, 19c
Worth 50c.

Holiday Suspenders in Silk and Linen Webs in fancy boxes, 39c
Worth 75c.

Boys' Rough Rider Gloves, 39c
Worth 50c.

Men's Wool Gloves, 44c
Worth 75c.

Tie Pins. Many novelties, 19c
Worth 50c.

Boys' wide cut, brand Gauntlets, 48c
Worth $1.00.

... AT BUT A FRACTION OF THEIR REAL VALUE.

Boys' Grey Coat Sweaters, 37c
Worth 75c.

Men's Extra Fine Wool Coat Sweaters, 89c
Worth $2.00.

CUFF BUTTONS.

Cuff Buttons. A new pair free if they don't give satisfaction, 19c
Worth 50c.

Boys' Leather Rough Rider Gloves, extra fine, 29c,
Worth 75c.

Sole Leather Suit Cases worth $6.00. Sale price $2.95.

FANCY VESTS

Men's Fancy Vests. Neat patterns, 95c
Worth $2.00.

$2.00 Corduroy Shirts....$1.24

$2.00 Men's Union Suits...98c

YOU GAIN—THE MANUFACTURER HAD TO SELL. HE LOSES.

Men's Work Shirts, Extra heavy, 39c
Worth 75c.

Men's Madras Dress Shirts Well made, 34c
Worth 50c.

Boys' Fleece Lined Underwear, 19c
Worth 35c.

Men's Rib Fleeced Underwear, 38c
Worth 50c.

Ladies' Embroidered Silk Handkerchiefs, 7½c,
Worth 25c.

Men's extra quality combination sets, Suspenders, Arm Bands and Garters in fancy boxes 44c
Worth 75c.

Men's Best Quality White Plaited Shirts, two to a fancy box each, 48c,
Worth 75c.

Men's Silk Hose all colors, 50c
Worth $1.00.

Men's latest style Mercerized Knit Mufflers, 21c,
Worth 50c.

Cravenettes at Less Than They Cost to Make!

A thousand Cravenettes for Men in Stripes and Plain Black worth $12.50 only $6.85.
Men's Cravenettes made up in handsome style out of the finest cloths never sold for less than $20. Sale price $9.85.

$6.00 Dress Pants at - - $2.95

Men's Finest Dress Pants, imported and domestic Worsteds, none better made at any price, worth $6. Sale price $2.95
Men's Worsted and Cassimere Pants that are worth $2. Sale price 98c
Men's Dress Pants in plain Black and colors worth $3.50. Sale price $1.95

The Most Remarkable Showing of Young Men's Suits That We Ever Made. Prices at About Cost of Material!

Youths Suits, ages 15 to 20 years at the remarkable price of $3.95. Suits in this lot worth $8.00 and $9.00. We took all the manufacturer had and expect to sell them quickly. Yours for only ..... $3.95.
Children's Overcoats, ages 3 to 8, made up in elegant style out of pretty new cloths. Fully worth $2. Sale price 99c
Boys' Overcoats, ages 9 to 16. This is an elegant assortment. They will go rapidly. Worth $4.50. Sale price $2.45

A Big Saving on Men's Ladies and Children's Shoes

Several hundred pair of Men's Shoes. Sale price $1.25
Worth $3.00.

Men's Goodyear welt Shoes in Vici, Patent Colt and Box Calf. Sale price $2.45
Worth $3.50.

Ladies' Dress Shoes in solid leather. Latest style, $1.95
Worth $3.00.

Men's finest Dress Shoes. Every pair guaranteed, $2.95
Worth $4.00.

WE ARE READY TO MEET EVERY DEMAND, COME, YOU WILL BE WAITED ON PROMPTLY. THOUSANDS WERE HERE AND BOUGHT SATURDAY. WE EXPECT BIGGER CROWDS IT'S A VAST STOCK YOU WILL HAVE TO SELECT FROM AND YOU WILL PART WITH YOUR DOLLARS WILLINGLY, WHEN YOU SEE THE AMOUNT OF GOODS THEY WILL BUY.

LOOK FOR THE RED SIGNS. MAKE NO MISTAKE.

Cincinnati Salvage Co.

220 CHILLICOTHE STREET. LET NOTHING KEEP YOU AWAY.

PORTSMOUTH, OHIO.

Many Donations For Poor Fund

Mayor Searcy was made happy Thursday morning when several liberal donations were received for his Christmas poor fund. Among them was a car of coal donated by Simon Labold, Burt & Hall, clothing; Jos. G. Reed Co. underwear and hosiery; Lloyd-Adams Co., 20 pairs of shoes; Gehres Bros., flour. The Sunday school of the German Evangelical church gave the mayor $5 00 in change. It is now hoped to have the donations reach a larger proportion than last year where several hundred of people were made happy, through the liberality of the good people of Portsmouth.

ALL HOBOES HAVE NAMES SO IRISH

Jimmy Brennen, director of public safety, wonders whether or not the word has gone out among the hoboes throughout the country that he is an Irishman and that his heart throbs for every son of Erin. Reason is that every hobo that has come to the station house for the past three months seeking food and a place to sleep has had names so Irish that Brenney really sounds like German. For instance, a colored hobo weighed in with the name of Pat Haggerty, Monday, and Tuesday evening Art Morrison and Patrick Sweeney, rounded in. They were given lodging, and strangely say Officer Yeazel fitted them each out with one pair of shoes. Art had a peg leg, while Pat wore a cork leg.

L. Taylor Is Back From Big Hunt

Lafayette Taylor, the well known merchant and stone magnate of Barden, returned Wednesday night from a hunting expedition in the wilds of North Carolina.

Mr. Taylor was gone five weeks and had for a companion Homer C. Moon, former N. & W. agent at Barden, besides the guides.

The party had two headquarters, one at Hunter's Cabin, at the foot of Smokey mountain, and the other at Eagle Creek Hangover, Rock mountain.

Mr. Taylor says that game is plentiful there and that he had a great time and enjoyed the sport fine; so much, in fact, that, he expects to go back there early in the new year for another hunt. He also expects to take a trip to Colorado, and from there go to Phoenix, Arizona, where his wife is at present for her health.

Mr. Taylor killed two deer and two wild hogs besides other numerous smaller game and brought back many souvenirs of his prowess with the rifle. He brought back also one of the deers that he killed and will distribute it among his friends.

LAST DAY

Friday will be the last day of the demonstration of "Wear Ever" aluminum at Hibbs'. Don't fail to attend.

MUCH TOBACCO STORED HERE

Seventy thousand pounds of tobacco belonging to Peter Kritzer, all purchased in this immediate vicinity, are now stored in various West End buildings.

Mr. Kritzer said the figures represent one-half of the tobacco he has bought for the Cincinnati firm he represents. Next year five or six times that amount should be stored in Portsmouth. He said tests made this season had proven this section one of the best tobacco producing countries in America, and all that is needed is for business men to give the raisers proper encouragement to make it still greater. In the past many of them have been victimized by irresponsible buyers, but now that they are finding reliable markets they are giving their best efforts. Thousands of farm lands remain that may be utilized for the purpose and it begins to look as though the near future will see that done.

Copyright Books from 39c up.
CORNER BOOK STORE
Second and Chillicothe Sts.

Mercerized Silk Polar Mufflers 39c worth 75c—The Salvage.

Christmas Cigars at Nye's, 4th and Chillicothe.

Kelley Higley Blows In.

Kelley Higley, a former local newsy and general favorite, came over from Kentucky Thursday to do his Christmas shopping. Kelley's people are now farming several miles south of Springville hill.

Lehman's for Shoes.

CHESTER A. KERR,
917 Offnere. Home phone B 740
Merchant Tailor,
Special attention given to dry cleaning, pressing and repairing.

A NEW PARTY LAUNCHED IN DRUG STORE

A new political party has sprung into existence, and it was born right here in Portsmouth. It was born in Hager's drug store Wednesday night and Captain N. W. Evans and James A. Hager were the promoters. Mr. Hager is a good Democrat, and Captain Evans is a good Republican, and both are good friends,—no, you needn't laugh; it is quite possible for two gentlemen to be good friends and be on opposite sides of the political fence. Well, these two gentlemen were discussing and criticising the two old parties—or to be more exact each gentleman was calling the roll of the sins and demerits of the other man's party. Mr. Hager said the sins of the Republican party were as scarlet, also as green, blue and a dull mud color. The Captain said the Democratic party was easily the worst ever, and the wonder to him was how such a party could have so long a life. Finally each acknowledged that his own party was not altogether above reproach, at least not very far above it. This gave them common ground to stand upon, and then came a regular love feast of acknowledgement of party sins of omission and commission. Mr Hager said he was a good Democrat, and had a right to say his party had a streak of yellow in it wide as the Scioto river when it was over its banks. The Captain was not to be out-done in political acknowledgement, and more than hinted that his own presence in the Republican party was all that had prevented it from going to everlasting smash years ago.

"I'll tell you, Cap," said Mr Hager, "what we had better do. We seem pretty well agreed as to the character of the two old parties, from both points of view; suppose we draw out and start a new party, and fix it up to suit ourselves."

"I'm with you," said the Captain. "We'll both be in on the ground floor."

They shook hands and the new party was born right then and there. The matter of a name came up, and it was agreed to call it the National party, with the privilege of changing the name in case the constable got too close to the party. They came near splitting up over the question of a platform. Mr. Evans agreed to Mr. Hager's proposition to place bird dogs on the free list and making it a penitentiary offense for a man to tell a fish lie. Mr. Evans is not very sporty but he accepted this plank, but Mr Hager went to pieces when Cap insisted on a taxation plank, unloading one of his speeches before the law association. Mr. Hager said this would crowd everything else off the platform. A compromise was reached, however, and Mr. Evans agreed to a plank providing that a man needn't pay any taxes at all unless he has to.

The matter of membership then came up. It was agreed to have the new party very select. Only one member besides the two promoters has thus far been admitted, and that is Jim Ellis, merchant policeman. It was thought best to have a policeman in case the new party should need protection at any time.

It was agreed that a newspaper man shouldn't come within forty rods of the party; shouldn't even peep through the cracks in the fence.

MISERY FROM OUT-OF-ORDER KIDNEYS GO

Out-of-order kidneys act fine and backache or bladder misery is relieved after a few doses of Pape's Diuretic.

Pains in the back, sides or loins, rheumatic twinges nervousness, debilitating headache, dizziness, sleeplessness, inflamed or swollen eyelids, worn out feeling and many other symptoms of clogged, inactive kidneys simply vanish.

Frequent, painful and uncontrollable urination due to a weak or irritable bladder is promptly overcome.

The moment you suspect any kidney, bladder or urinary disorder, or feel rheumatism coming, begin taking this harmless remedy, with the knowledge that there is no other medicine at any price, any where else in the world, which will effect so thorough and prompt a cure, as a 50 cent treatment of Pape's Diuretic, which any druggist can supply.

This unusual preparation goes direct to the out of order kidneys, bladder and urinary system, cleaning healing and strengthening these organs and glands and completes the cure before you realize it.

A few days' treatment with Pape's Diuretic means clean, active healthy kidneys, bladder and urinary organs,—and you feel fine.

Your physician, pharmacist, banker or any mercantile agency will tell you that Pape Thompson & Pape, of Cincinnati, is a large and responsible medicine concern, thoroughly worthy of your confidence.

Accept only Pape's Diuretic—50 cent treatment—from any drug store—anywhere in the world.

Loan Company Elects Directors

The Commercial Building and Loan company at its annual stockholders' meeting the other night reelected its present directory.

The directors are Captain Adam Buch, John R. Hughes, George E. Kricker, Dr. S. S. Halderman, Wade Kennedy, William Pursell, John H. Lange, W. S. Walker, Philip Streich, Lawrence Neudoerfer and W. A. Wurster.

1910 Diarys and Calenders.
CORNER BOOK STORE
Second and Chillicothe Sts.

Victor Storey is Arrested

Victor Storey, a well known New Boston citizen, staggered into the arms of a couple of policemen as he alighted from an N. & W. train Thursday noon.

Storey was gloriously drunk and scarcely able to carry a big suit case which, upon investigation was found to contain fully three gallons of holiday cheer, mostly in pint and half pint quantities.

Storey was taken to prison and locked up. Meanwhile, Chief Davidson is busy making inquiries as to whether or not Storey has been doing any "boot-legging."

Fine Writing Paper in boxes at Nye's.

HAS FOUL PLAY OVERTAKEN COOK?

New York, Dec. 23.—Wm. L. Cook declared today he believed his brother, Dr. Frederick A. Cook, had met with foul play abroad. He said he received a letter from him early this week, in which he said he was hurrying to Copenhagen with proofs of having found the north pole. He should have reached Copenhagen before this.

Building Concrete House.

Work has been started on a new concrete block house on the West Side farm owned by Leo Sommer and Frany Seymour. It is to be occupied by their tenant, Peter Coburn.

Christmas
Shirts at Schwartz's. 1t

HAS CORNERED COTTON

JAMES PATTON.

The Chicago wheat king who is now engineering a vast cotton corner and says he will boost the price of cotton fabrics the same as he did that of bread.

Sues For A Divorce

Upon the grounds of wilful absence for more than six years, Attorney Theo. K. Funk on Thursday, filed the divorce suit of Troy Ewing against Clara D. Ewing in the local courts.

The couple were married December 10, 1903 and separated several days later. They have no children. Ewing is a young farmer who lives near Otway. His wife has been living, since their separation with her parents near Williamson, W. Va.

Christmas
Ties at Schwartz's. 1t

Cutting Room Is Now Idle

The cutting room of the lower Irving Drew Co. was laid off on Wednesday evening until next Monday. The cutters are well up with their work.

Imported Silk 4-in-hands in fancy boxes 39c worth 75c—The Salvage.

Buys Turkey At 12c. Per

Clem Switalski, traveling salesman for the Arbuckles Coffee Co. arrived home, Wednesday evening from a successful trip. He brought with him a twenty pound dressed turkey, which he purchased in Brown county, for 12 cents per pound.

Kentucky Town Stays "Dry"

Corbin, Ky., Dec. 23.—Corbin remained dry in a local option election held Wednesday by 28 majority. Men, women and children formed in parade early in the morning and marched over the streets of the town, led by Mrs. Frances E. Beauchamp, president of the State W. C. T. U.

Tells of Snow Fall.

George Sommer is in receipt of a letter from his brother, Herman Sommer, telling of a foot of snow fall at Freeport, Ill., and the thermometer down to seven below zero.

Lou Weber Goes to Capitol

Lou Weber, popular clerk at the Weber Shoe store, will leave Friday to spend Christmas with friends and relatics in Columbus.

Bath Robes
At Schwartz's. 1t

Eat What You Want

If your appetite is fickle, your digestion weak, your bowels slow to act, try Schenck's Mandrake Pills—and you'll find you can eat what you want, enjoy it all, and digest it thoroughly. They cure liver ills, stomach disorders and keep you up to the highest standard of health. Wholly vegetable—absolutely harmless—sold everywhere, 25c. Send a postal for our free book, and learn to prescribe for yourself.

DR. J. H. SCHENCK & SON, Philadelphia, Pa.

NEW SKIN REMEDY STOPS ALL ITCHING

Skin Troubles of Adults and Infants Quickly Cured.

When it is known that poslam, the new skin discovery, will stop the torturous itching attending eczema with first application and bring immediate relief and comfort to sufferers from all skin troubles, its merit will be appreciated and its wonderful success understood. On the tender skin of chafing infants, poslam may be used with soothing and beneficial effects. It is applied externally and its remarkable healing powers begin at once.

All skin diseases, including eczema, acne, herpes, rash, tetter, etc., yield immediately to poslam. Occasional applications, in small quantities, will quickly banish pimples, hives, blackheads, blotches, and will relieve and cure itching feet, scaly scalp, humors, etc. A special 50-cent package is prepared for those who use poslam for these minor skin troubles. This, as well as the regular two-dollar jar, is on sale at Amann's Pharmacies, and other leading drug stores in Portsmouth.

An experimental supply of poslam may be obtained free of charge by writing to the Emergency Laboratories, 32 West Twenty-fifth street New York.

C. C. Covertson Buys Fine Home

Mert Mathiott on Wednesday disposed of his residence property on Highland avenue to C. C. Covertson for something like $4000.

The deal was made through Geo. H. Sheppard and thereby one of the finest homes in the hill top district passes into new hands. Mr. Coverston and family expect to occupy the property at an early date.

Sinking Fund Trustees Held Last Meeting

The board of sinking fund trustees held its final meeting of the year at the city building Thursday afternoon.

The term of one member, Pearl E. Selby, expires the first of the year. His successor will be named by Mayor Searcy at the next meeting of city council. The remaining members are Messrs. George M. Appel, William Pursell and George E. Kricker.

LAST MEETING OF N. BOSTON COUNCIL

The town council of New Boston will hold its last regular meeting of the year tonight.

Squire M. T. Stewart will submit a plat of his new addition at this meeting. The new addition adjoins Stewartville and its lots will soon be placed on the market.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to the many friends for their kindness in sending flowers and assisting at the funeral of our beloved son, James Earl.

MR. AND MRS. PHILIP ARNOLD.

Christmas
Suspenders at Schwartz's. 1

Dalton Taken To Huntington

An officer from Huntington arrived here Wednesday evening and returned Thursday with Jack Dalton, who was arrested here by Chief Davidson, it being alleged that he stole a considerable amount of jewelry in the West Virginia metropolis.

Ice Stops Navigation

Evansville, Ind., Dec. 23.—Heavy running ice in the Ohio compelled 100 boats to desert the Evansville wharf for the Green river harbor today and navigation is suspended.

Goes To Meet Wife.

Thomas Jefferson, an East Ninth street shoeworker, went to Cincinnati Thursday to meet his wife, who has been visiting relatives there.

Manicure goods at Nye's

The Last Days of Christmas Shopping

Will find our stock of Watches, Jewelry, Diamonds, Silverware still containing a good selection of styles. We are receiving new goods in every express and are able to keep a complete selection in spite of the great crowds of customers we are supplying daily. Our stock of Bracelets was almost exhausted until yesterday we secured a large shipment by express. The selection of watch fobs we are showing equals any we have ever had. Collar Pins, Belt Pins in great variety. Single Tea Spoons 75c to $2.00 each. Baby articles of every kind in silver and gold. Fountain Pens and Umbrellas. A useful gift for any man. You will be sure to find just what you want at our store.

OTTO ZOELLNER & BRO.
415 CHILLICOTHE ST.

Tomorrow the Last Day To Do Your Christmas Shopping

Come to Bragdon's, the store accommodating, where you can find a vast assortment of useful gift suggestions. Come tonight or in the morning. Don't wait for the last few hours or last moments. A few useful suggestions.

UMBRELLAS

Vast assortment of handles.
Men's Umbrellas ..... 45c to $6.00
Ladies' Umbrellas ..... 45c to $5.00
Children's Umbrellas ..... 45c to 98c

LADIES' FINE CASHMERE GLOVES.
Special lot, Silk lined and Fleece lined and Imitation of Reindeer, 50c values, choice 25c
Ladies' extra fine Cashmere and Mocha finish Gloves, Black, Grey, Brown, Navy. Choice 50c
Ladies' Black Mitts ..... 10c to 25c
Children's Mitts, all colors ..... 10c to 25c
Children's Golf Gloves ..... 25c pr
Men's Gloves ..... 25c and 50c pr.
Boys' Gloves ..... 15c, 25c and 50c pr.
Best $1.00 Kid Glove in the country. Every pair warranted.
Ask for Kid Glove Order. Splendid X-mas gift. We fit every pair Kid Gloves at the counter.

FURS! FURS!
Ladies' Fur Scarfs ..... 59c to $25.00
Ladies' Fur Sets, Muff and Scarf ..... $2.19 to $35.00
Muffs ..... $1.50 to $15.00
Children's Fur Sets, Astrachan Sets and Bear Skin Sets.
Children's Bear Skin Coats, ages 1 to 4 years $1.98

MISSES' COATS

Misses Coats, all sizes, special prices.
Ladies' Coats ..... $3.25 to $25.00
Ladies' Net Waists, cream and white, $5 value ... $1.69
Ladies' Wash Waists ..... 48c to $2.00

HANDKERCHIEFS
Thousands of Handkerchiefs at pleasing prices.
Ladies' Handkerchiefs, choice line 5c
Ladies' Handkerchiefs, Embroidered and Lace Trimmed at 10c, three for 25c
Ladies' Fine Embroidered Handkerchiefs ... 15c and 25c
Men's Handkerchiefs, white and colored borders at 5c, Six for 25c
Men's Silk Initial Jap Handkerchiefs 10c, 3 for 25c
Men's All Linen Handkerchiefs 10c
Men's Pure Linen Handkerchiefs 15c, two for 25c
Men's All Linen Initial Handkerchiefs 15c, 2 for .... 25c.
Special prices by the dozen or half dozen.
Complete assortments of Table Linens, Napkins, Towels, Bed Spreads, Silks, Dress Goods, White Goods, Ribbons, Hosiery, Underwear, Suspenders and Neckwear.
Just received new assortment Belts at ..... 25c and 50c
Ladies' Silk Scarfs, all colors 50c
Knit Mufflers, choice 23c
New Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 15c values for 10c

Bring your memorandum to Bragdon's. Prompt delivery to all parts of the city and suburbs.

The Bragdon Dry Goods Co.
THE POPULAR STORE OF PORTSMOUTH

Eugene E. Knox. Masonic Temple, Insures anything Insurable.

NOTE OF CONSERVATISM IS SOUNDED BY COUNCIL

How to keep the expenses of the city within the revenues derived from all sources during the year 1910, is to be once more a problem for the incoming city council, which takes charge of affairs on January 1. The note for conservatism was sounded by City Auditor Musser at Wednesday night's adjourned session of the city's present legislative body.

Discussion of the city's finances was precipitated right at the close of the meeting by Member Gergens. He wanted to know when the city was going to pay William Coriell the sum of $100 allowed by council recently, as damages, because a sewer overflowed his property out on Chillicothe street. Auditor Musser stated that with the close of the year, council would be unable to pay all pending damage claims, and in his opinion, it would be better to stand suit in the courts for some of them, as many are out of reason.

There was nothing especially alarming in Auditor Musser's little speech, since he has made the same plea for conservation before former outgoing councils in years past. In those days too, the city was getting the benefit of over $30,000 income from the saloons. This year the city got none of this money, and the obligations against the city are no greater than in former years. The point the auditor made, was that councils should not be over liberal in allowing damage claims, since when juries are called upon the fix these damages against their municipalities, they are generally inclined to fix the amounts at the right figures.

All members of the council were present at this meeting and it was expected to be the last of the year. Solicitor Small could not be present, however, on account of a grip attack, so that council will meet once more on next Monday evening to wind up all matter still pending and adjourn sine die.

Vice Mayor-elect Adam Pfau was present at this meeting and shared the president's desk with Mr. Moore, present vice mayor. John Moeller, newly elected councilman at-large was also present as an interested spectator.

A claim of $600 damages was received and filed from Mrs. Richard Ferguson, alleging that the raising of the N. & W. tracks along her property at Thirteenth and Kinney streets, damaged her to this extent. Referred to the claims committee.

Council received the board of health's communication for drainage relief in an alley near the Harsha mills and referred this matter to the street committee. All members were found favorable toward the sanitary sewer extension in the Arlington hotel alley, and the solicitor was directed to bring in the ordinance.

Clerk Musser reported sales of the $72,000 worth of street bonds to Breed and Harrison, Cincinnati, at their premium of $150.50. This action of the finance committee was approved.

Chairman Daehler of the law and claims committee reported a compromise made with John M. Wendelken, in the sum of $100 for damages in the Scioto street paving. The ordinance was ordered prepared.

All members voted to lay water mains on Brown street to the new plant of the Mitchell Manufacturing company and the solicitor was ordered to bring in the ordinance.

Property owners on Summit street through Councilman Graf asked that all lot owners on this street, between High and Home, be required to lay sidewalks. This move is designed against about one-third of these owners as the rest have laid their walks. Referred to the service directors.

Mr Schmank made inquiry as to the city engineer's recommendations, in the matter of storm sewer relief from West Third Street. Engineer Hudson reported that because of the increased drainage territory he would recommend building a new sewer alongside the old one from Market street to the Massie street outlet. It should also be four feet in diameter. The estimate for this work is $9070. Auditor Musser reported that the present sewer fund would be practically exhausted by the sewers now under construction, and that this sewer would require a new bond issue. The matter will be allowed to go over to the new council for disposition.

President Moore inquired from the light committee when the new street lights ordered placed are to go up. Mr. Schmank reported that the Street Railway Company had been delayed by the factory and railroads in getting this equipment, but it was now here and would soon be installed.

An error crept in the Times' report of a recent school board meeting, wherein the reporter stated that the board would have to pay $960 a year for sanitary sewer taps at the various schools. This was a mistake as the price fixed by council is 25 cents for each pupil enrolled, at the time the tap is made. Once paid, the board is at no further expense to the city on account of sewer connections.

Council adjourned to meet on next Monday evening, Dec. 27, for its final session.

Men's Silk Initial Handkerchiefs 5c worth 10c—The Salvage.

Kinney Funk Has the Grip

P. Kinney Funk, superintendent of the Excelsior shoe company's local plant has an attack of the grippe, says the Irontonian.

A Fine Stock of Pianos, Player Pianos, etc. Easy payments. D. F. Creekbaum, 119 East Fourth St. 17-tf

Men's Suspenders in fancy boxes 23c worth 50c—The Salvage.

Judge's Brother Passes Away

At Lancaster Monday night occurred the death of Samuel L. Reeves, a brother of Judge Reeves, of the common pleas bench, who is his only surviving relative. He served for four years as deputy collector of internal revenue for this district, while the late James W. Newman, of this city, was collector. He was afterwards connected with several state institutions and filled all positions with ability.

LODGE ONCE HELD IN BRUNNER BLDG.

It is not generally known that the third story of the Brunner building was formerly a lodge room, and was built for one in the beginning. It is now used by Mr. Brunner for the storing and display of certain kinds of goods, and Charles Brunner says there are still indications in the room of its former use. There is one large room, occupying the entire third floor. At the end fronting on Market street are still to be seen reminders of what was rostrum, or platform, of the chief officer of the lodge, and at the opposite end are similar reminders to persons who know much of lodges and their work, that another official of some kind held forth at that end of the room. As a matter of fact the order that occupied the room and for which it was equipped was an order very strong several decades ago, known as the "Brotherhood of the Union." The order spread all over the country and the lodge in Portsmouth was quite strong. There may be still living in Portsmouth men who were members. Squire Hall and Dan R. Spry were not members but they remember much about the order.

R. W. Farden, now of Chillicothe, was a member. There was nothing political in the order, and nothing that would interfere with any man's religious belief or lack of belief. The main object seemed to be the securing for every man "land and home." "Land and home" seemed to be their watchword. They had a ritual and regalia, that of the officers being quite elaborate. There are many in Portsmouth who remember seeing the local lodge on parade. It became quite the thing for men of all ages to join the "Hood," a popular abbreviation of the title at the time.

What is known as the Brunner building at Second and Market streets, was built by James Grimes, father of Harry S., and Albert Grimes, sometime in the 50's. It was easily the best equipped business house in the town at that time, and it has not been greatly improved on since. The third story was fitted up for a lodge room for the Brotherhood of the Union, then very strong here. The second story was equipped for offices, the first for a store and the basement, with two stairways leading to it, for a barber shop and bath room. After the Brotherhood went out of existence the lodge room was rented to Phelps & Dumas, who started a daily newspaper, called the Daily Morning Herald. Dumas came from Cincinnati and brought the material with him. During the existence of the paper the printers and office boys would have much fun holding mock sessions, as the fixed paraphernalia of the lodge room was still there. At the Market street end were handsome pillars reaching to the ceiling with a pulpit like arrangement on a raised platform. The editor and proof readers preempted this rostrum for the work. The pillars and platform held their position until quite recent years. The career of the Morning Herald was brief, picturesque and bumptious. It was finally bumped out of existence and turned into a job office and so run until the Cincinnati backers called the wreckage in. The Portsmouth Morning Herald was the last dying kick of a daily paper in Cincinnati called the Nonpareil.

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Goes to Meet His Friend

Ray H. Duvendeck, of the N. & W. terminals force, left Thursday morning for Columbus to meet Forest Davidson, an old Portsmouth boy, who is coming home from Gary, Indiana.

FIRES A SHOT AT IRONTON CHIEF

At Ironton Wednesday Chief of Police Berridge and Robert McKinley, proprietor of a boarding house on Lawrence street, had a pistol duel. McKinley was drunk and when Chief Berridge attempted arrest him, he fired point blank at the chief. Berridge promptly fired back, and two bullets whizzing by his head brought McKinley to time. He faces charges of drunk and disorderly and shooting with intent to kill.

Leeches, Bugs at Nye's.

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A special train, consisting of an engine and 12 coaches, went east over the N. & W. tracks Wednesday night. The train was loaded with construction men who were going home for Xmas down in "Old Virginia" and North Carolina.

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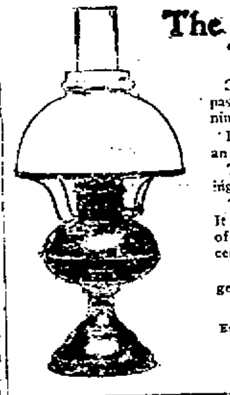

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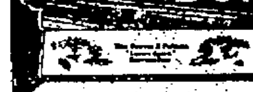

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EVENING TIMES SPORTS

Dave Schreiber To Feel the Axe

Detroit, Dec. 23.—Pitchers — Bills, Britton, Cavett, Schreiber and Lafitte.
Infielders—Murch and Gaynor.
Outfielder—Spencer.

The ax of President Frank J. Navin of the Detroit baseball club has swung on the necks of eight budding young big leaguers for whom the request for waivers has gone forth. The eight mentioned will not go south but will probably be placed with minor league clubs before March. Several of the mentioned above are already ticketed for definite berths.

Pitchers Bills and Britton are probably to return to the clubs from which they came. Lafitte has been virtually sold to Rochester, though the formal acceptance of waivers has not yet been completed. Murch, it is understood, will go to Indianapolis which team is also likely to get Spencer. Ft. Wayne will probably get Gaynor.

Schreiber will likely find a berth in the American association.

SLEEPING BY ATHLETES IS EXCUSABLE

Plenty of sleep plays a big part in the training of most of the successful athletes of today. While some few of the great performers we see competing in the different events get along with a short allowance of slumber, it is clearly noticeable that the ones who insist on spending a goodly part of their time in the feathers are in the large majority. Sleep has more to do with the showing the men make than anything else. There is no rule governing what the men shall eat, each man using his own judgment; but with sleep—every trainer insists on his men getting a full portion of that.

Jumpers especially benefit by long sessions of slumber. It is a scientific fact that a man lengthens; or grows, by staying in bed. A boy lying in bed with typhoid fever has been known to add six inches to his height in a few weeks. Jumpers find that the cartileges in the knees and the cushions of the heels expand and become more springy if given a long rest. They take advantage of every opportunity to take the weight off their feet.

Ray Ewry and Prinstein, the greatest jumpers we have, both long ago formed the habit of putting their feet at an elevation whenever the chance offered. Both are men who insist on having an abundance of sleep. The night before Prinstein was to jump in the championships at Athens he went to bed at 9 o'clock. For several hours he kept moving his legs beneath the quilts with the object in view of keeping them limber without putting his weight upon the cartilege pads of his knees.

When Mike Sweeney established a new world's record for the high jump it was said that he had been in bed for three days, just taking things easy. Dan Ahearn is another jumper who believes in always getting all the sleep possible, while Martin Sheridan, who is also a crack at the hop, step and jump, did 47 feet after being forced by Trainer Lawson Robertson to take a 12-hour nap.

Sheridan and Sheppard both get along without more than a few hours of sleep. Sometimes Sheridan goes for days with only a couple of hours' rest a night, making up for lost time by putting in 15 to 20 hours straight. It is a wonderful thing the way the greatest athlete in the world gets along so well with such utter irregularity of sleeping hours.

John Flanagan goes to bed early and fails to arise before noon on the day of a trial at his world's hammer throwing records. Ralph Rose, the California shot putter, lived so long in the balmy climate of the Napa foothills that he formed the habit of long siestas during his kid days.

Popular Music Again.

The great musical comedy, entitled "The Goddess of Liberty," now appearing at Joe Weber's theatre, has furnished New York the best music of the season of 1909-1910. With its usual enterprise the New York Sunday World, has obtained (through Charles K. Harris, the music publisher) the words and music from the best song of "The Goddess of Liberty." This song, words and music, complete, will be given with next Sunday's World.

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The Moving Picture Fight

BY JOHN O'KEEFE

"An' future ginerations, wid wonder an' delight,
Will r-read in histhry's pages av the gr-rrat McClusky fight."
—From Mlle. Margot Cline's "Songs of Strenuosity."

Come all ye fair young gentlemen and listen to my song.
(That's how to start a ballad that's a thousand stanzas long.)
I'll sing you of a noble pair who are so very strong
They're known in the vernacular as husky.
Upon a day not far away they'll meet within a ring
To battle for a title and a more substantial thing;
But over in his office hear the moving picture king
Give orders, "Don't you t'row me down, McClusky!"

"Spin it out, Jim Jeffries!" is to be the battle cry;
"Spin it out, Jack Johnson, or the money won't be high."
And all the future ages (I won't say with delight)
Will read in history's pages of the Moving Picture Fight.

The referee says, "Ready," but you needn't think they'll start
At once to macerate the mug and hammer at the heart.
A hasty knockout's not upon the pugilistic chart
That's followed by the warriors white and dusky.
The fellow with the camera is standing at the back,
You bet he is the kingpin to the white man and the black.
He signals, "Wait till round nineteen to give the plexus whack.
I want no game of t'row me down, McClusky."

"Spin it out, Jim Jeffries!" is the order from the boss,
"Spin it out, Jack Johnson, if you do not want a loss."
For men will pay their wages with eagerness at night
To see the various stages of the Moving Picture Fight.

So Jim will tap the Johnson face and Jack will flick at Jim
The photo man will tell 'em darkly work endangers him.
The early fight will not excite. In fact, in lack of vim
'Twill smell so bad you'd call it worse than musky.
About the roped arena they will dance with nifty a shock,
And swing and jab and uppercut, and block and duck and block
Until the picture person says, "Let's see. It's five o'clock.
You now may try to t'row him down, McClusky."

"Spin it out, Jim Jeffries!" is to be the battle shout.
To buy more cham., you son of Ham, you've got to spin it out."
And future generations, with language not polite,
Will look on the gyrations of the Moving Picture Fight.

When "Murph" Butts In Next Summer BY SHONK

CORBETT TELLS WHY JEFF WILL LICK JACK

By James J. Corbett.

New York, Dec. 23.—When James J. Jeffries climbs out of a prize ring on the evening of July 4 next, in a western city, maybe Salt Lake or San Francisco, the world will cheer him as the real champion of the century. Between the time he enters the squared circle and the second that he leaves he will have disposed of all the claims of Jack Johnson to the title of world's champion. The scoffers who spent months wondering whether Jeff had lost his punch or whether he still had his wind will wake up and try and dope out why they ever lost their bearings.

In my day there have been battles in which the contestants have been prettily evenly matched, but when Jim Jeffries faces Jack Johnson in the ring the spectators will see in Jeff a man who was cut out by nature to be a fighter pure and simple, and in his opponent a dusky marvel of the science of boxing.

In the set of articles that the two men signed one paragraph called for "45 rounds or more." That was unnecessary, for Jeffries will dispose of his colored rival long before half of that time has elapsed. And when it is all over the Johnson adherents will realize that their idol was up against the marvel of the past decade. This sounds like "climbing into the sky," but there is one advantage that I have over many millions of men. I fought Jeffries twice, and when it comes down to talking from experience it certainly looks as if I had the inside track. While I am enthusiastic over Jeffries I don't want to say that Johnson has no merit.

Johnson Has Beaten Little Men.

On the contrary, Jack is a good, clever, fast fighter and entitled to all the praise that he now gets by being the world's champion. But there is one point that you must not overlook. In his career Johnson has not defeated any good man of heavyweight calibre. He won his title by beating Tommy Burns in Australia, and added more glory to his fame by knocking out Stanley Ketchel. They were a pair of good men, but good little men. What chance do you think that either Burns or Ketchel would have with Jeff even now? It would simply be a case of murder.

They all chant about the wonderful cleverness of Johnson. Very few realize that he has only two good punches with his right hand. His specialty is a short uppercut which he works to great advantage. The other is a lightning counter, which always causes damage. His left arm is of no use to him except for blocking. Now take away those two blows and where does Johnson stand? Not in the running. He may try and improve on his present abilities, but he has been fighting in this strain so long that it will be a tough proposition to add to his string of wallops.

I suppose that you think it very funny that I announce to the public just what Johnson's capabilities are. Well, it is quite a story. When I was in my prime there was one blow that I practiced until I had it down to perfection. That was the right uppercut that Johnson now has. During one of my training stunts Joe Gans visited my quarters and the game little fighter marveled at the manner in which I could get that right hand working. I demonstrated that blow to Gans and he taught Johnson how to use it. Kind of stealing my stuff, but it's all fair in fighting. That was the blow that really beat John L. Sullivan and gave me the championship. Charley Mitchell also remembers the wallop, for it stopped him in three rounds 15 years ago. This is digging up ancient history, but it is necessary to show that Johnson has nothing alarming in his little book.

Jeff Greatest of Them All.

Now that we have discussed Johnson pro and con, it is only fair to say a little about the real fighter, Jeff. As I said it was my fortune, or misfortune, to face the big man from the alfalfa land in the ring. I want to go on record as saying that he is without doubt the greatest fighter that ever slipped on a glove. In my career I have battled with Sullivan, Fitzsimmons, Sharkey, McCoy and others. These were famous fighters, but in comparison to Jeff they were a bunch of children. No matter how hard their wallop was it was a gust of wind against a tornado figuring with Jeff's slam.

As an idea of Jeff's wallop I have only to go back to the night of May 11, nine years ago, at Coney Island. It is only fair in drawing the conclusion to say Jeff was anything but an experienced pugilist that night, while I had all the fine points down pretty well. For 22 rounds I hammered his face at will and kept out of his way, but in the next session, when I stepped in he just shot one over and I was dead to the world.

Three years later in San Francisco I stacked up against the champion and was defeated in 10 rounds. The records say 10 rounds, but take it from me I was beaten in the second. During that period Jeff caught me with a right to the ribs that paralyzed me, and if it was not for the fact that I did not want to be known as a quitter I would have jumped out of the ring.

BASEBALL

Larry Quinlan, shortstop of the Columbus club, will spend about three months in Hot Springs before the 1910 season begins, and expects to get his legs in shape for some of the best work in his career.

Bill Leard, the shortstop Chattanooga secured late in the season from Macon, will probably be sold to Duluth within the next few days. Leard is wintering in Utica, N. Y., where he runs a bowling alley.

A great many good judges believe that a great pitcher is being overlooked, by Rudolph, of Toronto, not being called into the big show. He certainly does appear to possess all the requisites of a first class slab artist.

President Al Tearney, of the L-L-L league soon expects to have offices of his own. To show that the tight little league can travel in wide circles, Tearney expects to be domiciled in the Corn Exchange building, Chicago.

Harry Sutor, the White Sox's southpaw, who was operated upon for appendicitis at his home in Sedalia, Mo., is reported to be on the road to speedy recovery. He plans on going to the coast as soon as he is able to stand the ride.

Memphis secured a rising young catcher in big Jim Lafitte, a brother of Edward Lafitte, the former Providence pitcher owned by Detroit. In that case these boys would constitute about the classiest "brother battery" in baseball.

In "Stuffy" McInnes, Connie Mack has a most promising shortstop. Too bad there is no room in the regular Athletic line-up. And, by the way, what a wonderful bunch of young infielders Mack has picked up in the past two seasons.

The Washington Nationals missed a good player when they passed up a good tip to sign Johnstone, the left-handed first baseman of the Chattanooga team. He is with the Reds and is said by Clarke Griffith to be a wonder.

Maurice P. Danihy, who is believed to have umpired in more baseball games of minor leagues than any other man in the country, fell down a stairway several nights ago at his home in Rochester and fractured his skull. He died soon afterwards. He was 49 years old.

Charles Moran, the Milwaukee catcher, who was once fullback of the Massillon Tigers football team, coached the Texas A. and M. eleven during the past season. He not only made the team champions of the southwest, but also carried them through the season without a defeat, beating Oklahoma W., Haskell Indians, Texas U. (twice), and all the other Texas schools.

Jimmy Sheckard is slated to go to Philadelphia if Manager Chance can put through a deal for Magee.

No one has yet accused "Billy" Murray or his cham. Frank Weiner, of putting up the coin for the Phillies.

Otis Johnson is very liable to be seen cavorting at bag No. 3 for the Highlanders next season. This boy has class.

That Daniels, (Ayres) of Altoona, will be a regular outfielder for the Highlanders is the belief of many competent critics.

Red Farrell, leading sticker of the Ohio State league, will hustle all the other candidates for a place in the Highlanders' outfield.

Considering the scarcity of good first basemen, it is peculiar that Follensbee, of Johnstown, has been overlooked by the men higher up.

Drucke appears to be McGraw's best pitching recruit, although Daly, of Springfield, has an excellent minor league record, and Klawitter is promising.

Roy Thomas has been engaged to coach the University of Pennsylvania baseball team for three more years. Thomas graduated from Pennsylvania in 1894.

It is supposed that President Dreyfuss offered Adams something between $4500, and $5000 salary for next season, while has salary this year was only $1800.

The Wilkesbarre management will be very lucky to secure the services of Joey Bills again next season. Joey is a king-pin utility man, and some pitcher, too.

Durmeyer will be given a thorough "looking over" by Manager Billy Smith, of Buffalo. This young shortstop is of the improving-every-year kind, as his work clearly shows.

Scout Louis Heilbroner is grieving over the transfer of Ralph Carmichael, of Cincinnati, to Buffalo. "Louie" was sure that his protege would make good in the big show.

Jack Pfiester, the Chicago Nationals' pitcher; Charles Snyder, night police court clerk, and Louis Moermeier, of Evanston, are at Richmond, Ind., for a week's hunting trip.

Baseball is a stepping stone to education and the higher things in life for some of our neglected youths is one of the realisms looked forward to by the president of the United States.

Joe Kelley will take his Maple Leaves to Georgia for the spring training. They may be located with the Yankees. Chatham was passed up because of the lack of clubs with which to play.

Another new league in the middle west is being formed. The cities proposed are Lancaster, Newark, Cambridge, Mt. Vernon, Coshocton and Denison. Mileage would be quite small with these cities.

Special ladies' holiday umbrellas at 98c, the handles are worth $2.00 and $2.50—The Salvage.

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Make Shortstop Out of Pitcher

Few managers of baseball clubs purchase or draft minor league pitchers with the intention of converting them into major league infielders or outfielders. Sometimes after a season or two of pitching or near-pitching, a major league manager finds that his twirling recruit is a better infielder than a pitcher and makes the switch, but very few have such a plan in view when the youngster is yanked out of the bushes, says the Cincinnati Post.

Manager Griffith, who is always doing something no other manager is doing, and getting away with it, is planning to do that very thing. And Franzel Hosp, the pitcher purchased from the Los Angeles club of the Pacific Coast league last season, is the player who may make his National league debut in the role of shortstop.

Hosp is a good pitcher, but, according to reports from the coast, his arm is not able to stand up under the strain of a hard campaign. Every season he is laid up for weeks with a sore arm. He is a fine pitcher when in trim, but unfortunately, is not always in shape.

But Hosp is something else besides a pitcher; he is a shortstop, and a good one. He cavorts around the shortfield like an Al Bridwell or a Mickey Doolan, and his arm never gives him any trouble while holding down the job. Hosp is also something of a slugger. He soaks the pill hard when he goes to bat while pitching a game, and hits it harder when playing in the infield.

Griffith will try out Hosp at both jobs, and if he shows up better at short than the other candidates, and much better than at pitching, he will become the team's regular shortfielder.

THREE TWINS

Playing a "balcony scene" in musical comedy is much preferable to enacting the same in the dignified and grandiloquent "Romeo and Juliet." At least that is the view taken by Miss Elizabeth Carmody, prima donna of "Three Twins," which will be seen at the Grand Monday, Jan. 3.

"You see I have a balcony scene with Mr. Whiffen, the star," confessed Miss Carmody the other day. "and it is the portion of the play I like best. We give the pretty song, 'Good Night, Sweetheart,' and there is music and becoming lights, and one is at one's best. Most young actresses want to play Shakespeare, but I would rather sing and laugh to a handsome musical comedy hero than laugh and whimper and sigh, 'Romeo, where art thou?'"

Although Mr. Whiffen does not climb up to the balcony, which contains his sweetheart's desire, he is just as athletic as Romeo. Miss Carmody tosses him a handful of kisses, and he catches them all in his hat.

Going Affah Dat Possum

John Austin, a jovial colored attache of the Washington hotel, is the envy of fellow employees just now. John has developed a healthy crop of black whiskers and is going to try shooting 'possums from ambush. He is positive that he will get at least one for "dat Christmas dinnah."

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SOCIETY

George Bradshaw and friend, Mrs. Eulla Arthurs will spend Christmas in Cincinnati with his sister, Mrs. Rosa Brooker.

Of the marriage of a former Scioto county man, Tuesday's Columbus Dispatch said:

"Miss Laura Schuler and Mr. Leroy M. Graham, an attorney, were united in marriage Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Schuler, 642 West Town street. Rev. C. B. Pyle, of the Madison Avenue M. E. church, read the marriage service. The bride wore a blue messaline gown, made princess, with trimmings of baby Irish lace, and carried bride's roses. Her sister, Miss Bertha Schuler, was maid of honor. She wore a princess gown of blue. Mr. Graham was graduated from a Cincinnati law school, and formerly resided near Portsmouth. He and his bride left Tuesday evening for a two weeks' southern trip. They will live on Brill avenue.

A holiday event of Thursday evening will be the wedding of Miss Mary Black to Mr. Gus Mead at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Mildred Black.

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Selby and Mr. and Mrs. Harley Marconette will entertain with a musicale on the evening of December 30th, following the afternoon musicale to be given by Mesdames Selby and Marconette, as recently mentioned in the Times.

Portsmouth High School Class of 1902 will hold the annual Christmas holiday reunion next Wednesday evening at the home of Miss Edna Marting, of East Seventh.

The Clover club will meet in regular session next Tuesday evening at the home of Miss Edna Marting, whose assistant hosts will be the other members of the program committee: Misses Silcox, Schirrmann, Bursell and Small.

Miss Anna Louise Fee is at home from Lake Erie college to spend Christmas vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Elza Koch, of Follensbee, W. Va., are visiting at the home of Mrs. Koch's father, Mr. J. A. Oursler, of 813 Murray street.

Miss Irene Houston will leave Friday for Richmond, Mo., to stay until after New Years as guest of relatives. On Christmas day Miss Houston will be right royally entertained at Oakwood, the country place, owned by her sister, Mrs. Sarah Washington, and located five miles from her lovely home at Richmond, Mo. Instead of turkey this family party will dine upon peacock from a 500-acre ranch adjoining Oakwood.

Miss Teresa Kennedy came home Thursday from the O. S. U. to spend Christmas vacation.

Mrs. W. W. Anderson will entertain with a kensington next Wednesday afternoon in honor of her relatives, Misses Vere and Marian Crawford, of Geneva, Switzerland.

The Wednesday Kensington, which held this week's regular meeting at the home of Mrs. A. H. Richardson, of West Fifth, will entertain with a turkey dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lake, of West Fourth, next Thursday evening, with the husbands of the club members as honored guests.

Mrs. F. T. Loft will be joined Christmas by her daughter, Pearl, and son, Ralph, in her visit to her mother, Mrs. Katharine Hoch, of Camba, where she went Thursday. Miss Pearl will also visit in Jackson.

Mr. Fred McCann, of Ironton, was here to attend the funeral of his aunt, the late Mrs. William Boiles, Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Arthur Stevens, of Radford, Va., has gone to spend Christmas at the home of his mother, Mrs. A. D. Stevens.

Miss Katharine Dawson is at home from Cincinnati.

A bride and groom, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Walker, will entertain at dinner December 28th, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Holland.

Mrs. Fowler, the bride of Virgil Fowler, arrived from Oskaloosa, Ia., last evening and will make a visit with her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson of the Free Reading Rooms.

Mrs. John R. Lynn of 134 West Fourth street will have as holiday visitors, her sisters, Miss Margaret Lloyd, of Huntington, and Miss Mary Lloyd, who is coming from Cincinnati, where she is attending a college of music.

A special early morning service at 6.30 will be held in the upper chapel at Bigelow Christmas morning by the pastor, Rev. J. N. Eason.

Mrs. H. B. Cooper and two sons of West Second street, go to Portsmouth Friday morning to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Cole. They will remain for a week. Rev. Mr. Cooper will spend Christmas day with them.—Chillicothe Gazette.

Charles Taggart, who is now located in Portsmouth, will spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Taggart.—Chillicothe Gazette.

Mrs. Joe Turner of Grandview avenue who has been seriously ill is recovering nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Voorheis who have been visiting Portsmouth relatives, returned home to Cincinnati, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Lancaster and family have as holiday guests Mr. W. L. Miller and children, George and Marie of Williamsburg.

On Thursday morning Mrs. Geo. Crawford went to Jackson to attend the funeral of her cousin, the late Mr. Harry Long.

Messrs. William and Burton Dupre, Warren Briggs, William Atlas, Ralph Marting, Arthur Findeis are at home from the O. S. U. to spend holiday vacation.

Miss Katharine Balderman will entertain with a five hundred party next Thursday evening, some of her special High school senior friends.

Misses Isabel Musser, Marjorie Pursell, Beatrice Nave, Mr. Russell Anderson of the O. W. U. are at home to spend Christmas vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Rardin will have as Christmas guests Mr. and Mrs. Earl Rardin of East Ninth, Rev. and Mrs. G. L. Davis and baby, Juliet, of Tokio, Japan, and Mrs. Fannie Rardin of Athens county.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Blakemore of Roanoke, Va., will join their brothers, Mr. Richard Tremper of Chicago and Mr. William Tremper of Ann Arbor university in a holiday visit to their parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. D. Tremper.

Miss Mary York who will entertain the Young Women's Sewing club on the Friday afternoon preceding New-year's, and also at dinner Friday evening of this week, will again entertain on New-year's eve with a watch night party, all in honor of the Misses Hibbs, Maxon and Lacy of Los Angeles, Ca., who are visiting at the York home and at the home of Miss Elizabeth Watkins.

Another party in compliment to Misses Watkins and York and their guests will be given by Miss Watkins' uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hall next Monday evening.

On December the 29th Miss York will go to Ironton, to attend the wedding of Miss Amelia Frost to ex-Mayor Mountain, at which Miss Anna Varner will be the maid of honor.

Mrs. Lottie Clough Williams will remain until after the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Olive Applegate, who continues ill in bed at her home on Fifth avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. George Seisson's visitors, Mrs. May Holt of Illinois, and Mr. and Mrs. Loomin Seisson of St. Paul, Minn., have returned home, the Seissons have been obliged to cut short their holiday visit on account of a telegram which necessitated their return home.

At the home of the bride's relatives, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Osborn, 581 Robinson avenue, Rev. J. W. Atkinson at noon Thursday solemnized the marriage of Charles Billups, a young farmer from Teays, W. Va., and Miss Lydia Erwin who has been employed in a local factory. Immediately after the ceremony the young couple left for their future home at Huntington.

"The Grimes" will have a fine Christmas menu. Parties desiring service please telephone the office.

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Jake Findeis, Gallia street meat dealer purchased the entire "crop" of turkeys raised on the Orin B. Gould farm at Franklin Furnace. The birds were snow white and the finest flock ever seen in the city. They will average from 15 pounds to 25 pounds.

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The Jackson Standard-Journal throws a side light on life in Jackson, saying:

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Mat Kricker Not So Well.

Mat Kricker of West Seventh street, who has been laid up for the past month, was reported as being worse Wednesday.

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Ruth Violet Brooker.

So. Portsmouth, Ky., Dec. 21.
Dear Old Santa:

Please bring me an automobile a hobby-horse, a ball and bat and glove a little wagon and some candy, oranges and nuts. Please don't forget I live at So. Portsmouth, Ky.

John Arnold Brooker.

Portsmouth, Dec. 23.
Mr. Santa Clause:

Dear old Santa I rite you a few lines to leave you no what I want for Xmas as it is near at hand. Santa bring me a doll, high chair, tub, wash board, parlor suit that will do for me but I have a little brother this is his first Xmas. so please remember him he wants a little red rocking chair a boy doll and we both want candy and nuts and a orange apiece. So good by Santa, your little friends

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Portsmouth, Dec. 23.
Mr. Santa Clause:

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10285 Lily Riley (Hubbell) Waltz Song .... Ada Jones
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10287 I Wonder Who's Kissing Her Now (Howard) Sentimental Song .... Manuel Romain
10288 Territorial March (Blackenburg) National (London) Military Band
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10291 Wild Cherries—Coony, Spoony Rag (Ted Synder) Coon Song .... Edward Meeker
10292 The Portly Major March (Walter Rolfe) American Symphony Orchestra
10293 I Said Hooray (Weston and Barnes) Comic Song .... Jack Pleasants
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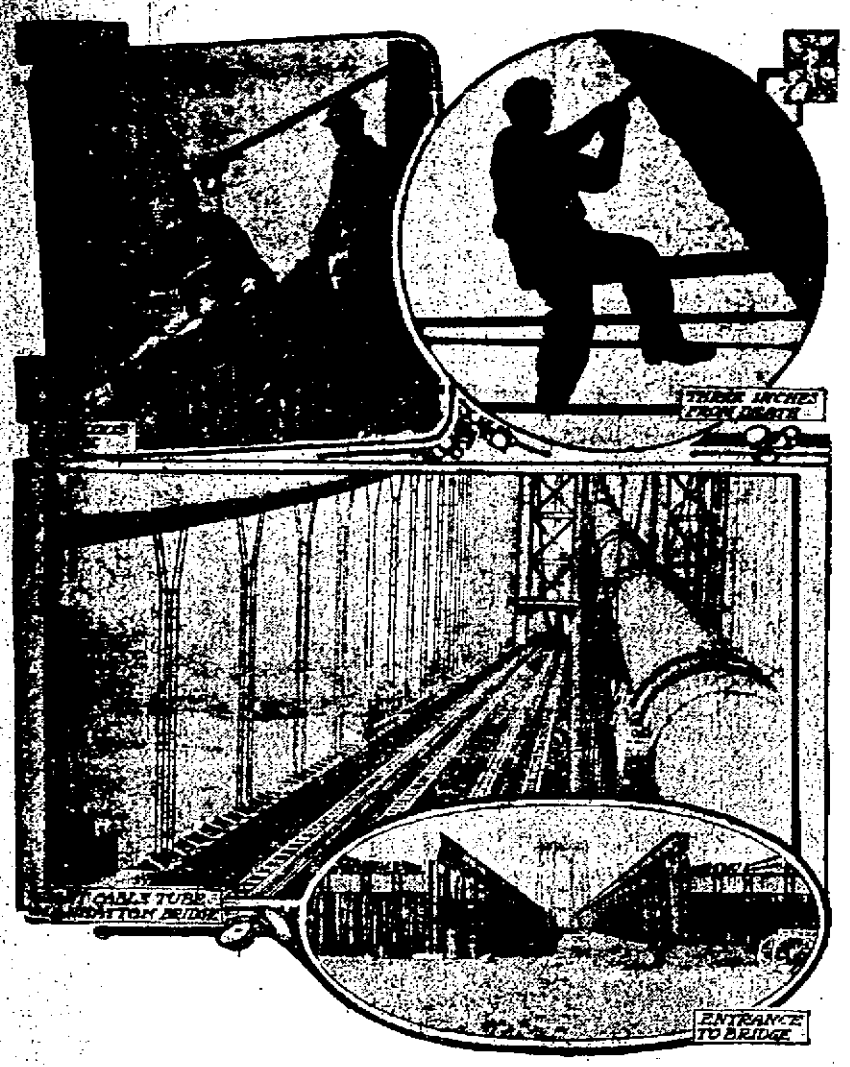

New York, Dec. 23.—The Manhattan bridge, the fourth and largest structure spanning the East river between Manhattan and Brooklyn, will be formally opened on January 1. The first official act of Mayor elect Gaynor when he goes into office will be the acceptance of the bridge. The gigantic structure which is to relieve the traffic on the Brooklyn bridge will be open to pedestrians on Christmas eve and will be brilliantly illuminated. Some work is still in progress on the bridge but it is practically complete. It is the greatest suspension span in the world. Its cables are 239 feet longer and two and one-half inches larger in diameter than those of the Williamsburg bridge, which has held the world's record. The new bridge will be provided with eight railroad tracks, four on the lower deck and four on the upper, having a traffic capacity of 200,000 passengers an hour one way, or 400,000 passengers an hour east and west. In addition there are a center roadway 35 feet wide and two cantilever footpaths twelve feet wide, one on each side. Including the approaches the bridge is 6,855 feet long; the main span from pier to pier, 1,470 feet long. The four big cables weigh 6,300 tons and are composed of 37,888 galvanized steel wires 9,472 in each cable, with an aggregate end to end length almost sufficient to reach around the world. Each wire in the cables has an ultimate strength of 215,000 pounds to the square inch, while the cables themselves are subjected to a working load, distributed upon the bridge of 60,000 pounds to the square inch, or a congested load of 73,000 pounds to the square inch.

Columbus Banks Refused To Bid On State Deposits

Columbus, O., Dec. 23.—State Treasurer Creamer yesterday invited eight of the leading banks of Columbus to offer bids for the state's deposit, the understanding being that the highest bidder was to be made an active depository in the place of the Commercial National bank, which last Saturday was stricken off the approved list for failure to furnish Attorney General Denman with information concerning certain alleged illicit deposits by previous treasurers.

To his anger and chagrin but one bank responded, the National Bank of Commerce, and its offer was 1.75 per cent. As it is the universal rule to pay 2 1-2 per cent on daily balances the state treasurer tore up the bid and threw the pieces in the waste basket.

This action has given rise to the speculation as to whether there is an understanding among the local bankers to resent the efforts of the state officials to secure testimony concerning matters under investigation. The law requires the establishment of two active depositories in this city, and fixes a minimum of 1 per cent interest for the money. Former State Treasurer McKinnon received only 1 1-2 per cent, according to his sworn statement, which is not now accepted as the truth.

A "gentlemen's agreement" among the local banks for a low rate might produce an awkward situation. There is now but one bank acting in this capacity, the New First National. It succeeded the Union National bank when it refused to surrender to the treasurer's demand for information. The law, as stated, requires two depositories, and it is an open question whether the treasurer could not be mandamused to accept a single bid so long as the minimum rate of 1 per cent was offered.

Attorney General Denman today explained that a misinterpretation has been placed upon the letter which he addressed to United States Senator Theodore F. Burton with relation to the pending investigation. He was quite aware that the federal authorities could not compel the national banks to disclose what was recorded in their books. That can be taken care of in easy fashion in the state courts. What he desired to know particularly was whether the rules of the department would be invoked to create trouble for him. In other words, he was anxious to ascertain what the procedure would be on the part of the national treasury officials.

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Lots of Sparks But No Fire

Sparks and thick smoke issuing from a chimney of the Reed property on the north side of Second, near Washington, occupied by Harry Dorff and family, caused frightened neighbors to turn in an alarm of fire Wednesday afternoon. Chief Lynn and the ladder truck crew responded with chemicals, but soon found that there was no blaze. A furnace in the hose had merely contained an unusually brisk fire, which burned out soot the entire length of the chimney.

Lehman's for shoes.

Forest Davidson Home From Ind.

Forest Davidson, a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Davidson, of East Fourth street, arrived home Thursday from Gary, Ind., for a visit over the holidays with his parents. Mr. Davidson holds a responsible position in a steel mill at Gary and has been quite successful in following this line of work since leaving his home town. There is some talk of him remaining in this city and taking charge of a furnace at the Portsmouth Steel plant.

SEATS FOR MOONSHINERS' DAUGHTER TOMORROW

The sale of seats for the Moonshiner's Daughter at the Grand Christmas matinee and night opens tomorrow morning and as the matinee seats are reserved for this show, patrons can secure them for either performance tomorrow. This play is one of the real melodramas on the road today and patrons can be assured of plenty of entertainment Saturday, as the piece abounds in thrilling climaxes and startling situations. As a special feature this company carry the full grown brown bear, "Teddy" who appears in several parts and specialties. Don't fail to see this splendid melodrama on next Saturday and secure your seats early and avoid the rush.

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LOVE MICROBES FIGHT SHY OF HIGH SCHOOL

From that excellent publication the High School Echo, the December number of which has just been issued it is learned that the staff of the journal is going to rest up a month and that the January number will be gotten out by the girls of the school. The regular force makes a powerful plea for every student to help the girls along in their work.

The interesting news is also given by "The Echo" that the love microbe is scarcer than hens teeth about the High school these December days. The Echo says:

"Have you noticed the lack of 'cases' around the building? There are only a few hold-overs from last year. These few seem to have monopolized all the germs of the puppy-love disease. There have been practically no new developments since school began. This is an unheard-of state of affairs. Usually at this time of the year the air is full of wireless love messages, sent via winks and smiles."

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A Great Calendar

Ruhlman Brothers, Plumbers, at 82 Gallia, must mean to have a lead pipe cinch on calendars. They have presented to the Times the largest as well as one of the handsomest it has ever seen. It is a representation of a scene in Venice and a work of art in design and execution.

After The Grippe
"I am much pleased, to be able to write and thank you for what Cardui has done for me," writes Mrs. Sarah J. Gilliland, of Siler City, N. C.
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Saloon Question In Charleston, W. Va.

Charleston, W. Va., Dec. 23.—Another period of unrest has been thrust upon the people of the state capital, thanks to that eternal liquor question which, in this city, has several edges on any ghost that Shakespeare ever created. For the next 30 days little else will be talked or heard in Charleston, and it all came after it was thought the question had been settled until after the first of next July.

Last June when the new city council rejected the first license ordinance submitted by the board of affairs it was clearly to be seen that there would be no saloons in Charleston so long as those men were on the council. The city became a desert July 1, so far as licensed saloons were concerned. The original vote on the question was 22 against license and 18 in favor. Later the vote was 21 to 19. The fight kept up until the question had been voted on half a dozen times. Then Councilman McGuire resigned and a wet man was chosen in his stead. The vote became 20 to 20.

Several weeks ago Councilman John W. Cook, clerk in the state department of schools, swore out warrants, charging one of the wet councilmen and a local hotel man with attempting to bribe him to vote wet. The case never came to hearing and Cook asked that the warrants be dismissed. Recently Cook went to Morgantown and entered the university. Thursday night his resignation, wired from Morgantown, was presented to council and accepted. C. L. Topping, a hotel man, was chosen to fill the vacancy and voted wet. A resolution was adopted stating that it was the sense of the council that saloons be licensed and asking the board of affairs to submit another license ordinance. The upper branch has always been wet and the ordinance is expected to be submitted at the next meeting, which will be the first Monday in January, unless a special meeting is called.

Ever since the question came up there had been rumors of graft and Thursday night when the question was being considered Councilman Morgan Robertson, of the drys, made the open charge that councilmen had sold out to the whisky interests. Superintendent Hare, of the Anti-Saloon league, gave a talk before the council, stating that he was certain that there will be no saloons in Charleston the present year. He warned the council that to agitate the question only made it harder for the wets next year and declared he was in Charleston to kill the saloon business. "I am here to fight and we are going to have an interesting battle. It's going to be a pretty scrap. But you are not going to get saloons," he said.

Two members of the Kanawha county court voted dry when the question came up before that body and one wet. The saloon men declare that the court will rescind its former order. The drys feel just as certain the court will stand pat. In the meantime the agitation is on and is not likely to be settled for a month, if in fact, before July 1.

Men's Silk Mufflers 48c worth 75c—The Salvage.

Art Williams Makes Change In His Beard

Art Williams, the genial pharmacist at Dan Spry's drug store, Wednesday gave his beard an old-time holiday trim and as Doc says, it is now a la Prince Albert. Previous to the cut Doc's crop was patterned after that of the Russian czar. He was uncertain what effect the change would produce upon his family and so, instead of going home for his noon meal, broke bread with George Freshel, not going home until after dark. As he appeared in his usual happy vein Thursday morning his friends infer that the new style beard passed inspection.

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FICTION BY THE BEST WRITERS

The Cardinal

By Will Sage Cary

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AS captain and infielder of the Varsity base-ball team, Joe Fleming had been a "star," and shone with consistent brilliancy. He played the game because he loved it; he held his position, year after year, for the very sufficient reason of being the best man for the place the college could produce. He was the popular idol of the student-body and of the faculty alike; of all the "Co-eds" in general—and one demure little blue-eyed "Co-ed" in particular. Then, in his senior year, there came a sudden reversal of sentiment; and this luminous "star" began a rapid, meteoric, descendent flight, which terminated, at least so far as the majority of the student-body, all of the faculty and "Co-eds" in general were concerned, in a total and ignominious eclipse! It should be mentioned, however, that to the demure and particular little "Co-ed," the eclipse was only partial: but still a very distressing and heart-rending obscuration; for Joe Fleming, deserting his team, friends, studies, suddenly departed to join the ranks of the professionals, —to play base-ball for money!

She had not been able to understand why he had chosen such a course, against the pleadings of his friends, her own entreaties and those of his family; it seemed to her that he must surely realize it would be fatal to all their hopes and plans for the future. His explanation to her, his fiancée, had served only to fill her mind with misgivings and strangely conflicting emotions, and had left her vaguely wondering, and woefully unhappy.

"Flo," he had said to her in parting, "they are all turning against me because I'm going to do this thing . . . but I must: there is no other way! I can't explain why, even to you, Flo—not now; but it will all turn out right; and *you'll* trust me, little girl, and still believe in me?"

And being only a demure little "Co-ed"—and loving with all her heart this big and once luminous "star"—whom none now, save only herself, could scarcely discern at all with the naked eye—she promised faithfully that she would.

There was another party, however, to be reckoned with; one who was not in the slightest degree demure, but exceedingly assertive, and given, at least so he himself imagined, to having his own way. When Flo's father, Colonel Joshua Traylor, received the tidings away down upon his big ranch in Texas that his prospective son-in-law had left college to become a professional base-ball player in the Major League, he said some very forceful things down there in Texas; moreover, he straightway wrote a letter up to the aspiring young athlete that fairly sizzled!

" . . . I had thought I had given consent to my daughter's engagement to a *gentleman*," the letter read in conclusion; "young, inexperienced, perhaps, but nevertheless one capable of eventually following a gentlemanly career. I regret, Mr. Fleming, that I was mistaken, and I must now inform you the engagement between my daughter Florence and yourself is, irrevocably, a thing of the past."

All of which went to prove that, while the Colonel in all probability knew all there was to know about raising cattle on a Texas ranch, he did *not* know the determination which, on occasion, could be shown by even a demure little "Co-ed" and a transcendental "star" in a transitory eclipse!

While the letter failed to dissuade Fleming from his purpose, it could not be said that he read it with absolute unconcern; he valued far too highly the good opinion of his fiancée's father not to be affected. A few weeks before, while making a daring slide to second base, he had been "spiked" so that the blood oozed slowly through his white stocking, streaking it with crimson. It had made him feel faint for a moment, but the pain soon left, and he was back in the game again, fighting as before. As he read the letter from the father of the girl he loved, he felt vaguely a similar dizziness coming over him—as from that other wound. This time, however, the pain remained—in his heart: and yet . . . he had gone to tell the little girl "good-bye." That same night, with scarcely a friend to see him off, he boarded the train to join his team.

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June days, and the happy flurry of graduation time came—and passed; and Col. Joshua Traylor, having journeyed up from Texas for the occasion, and having witnessed all with inexpressible pride and satisfaction, announced straightway his intention to depart immediately for home.

"Come, Flo!" he said briskly, the morning following the closing exercises, "pack your things up in a hurry now, an' we'll make the noon train for Texas!"

A look of protest and appeal came into the blue eyes of his daughter.

"But, papa dear——"

"Now, don't 'papa dear' me, my child; the noon train for us—an' that's an end to it!"

"But, papa—I promised Edith Haines, my chum, we would spend a few days in New York with her before we left for home; I *must* spend a few days with Edith!"

There was just a faint suspicion of glistening tears in the blue eyes now, and the gentleman from Texas felt himself weakening; he quickly decided that it would not only be expedient, but positively necessary to change his tactics. Assuming an expression of meek and saintly resignation he remarked, in a subdued and injured tone:

"Oh, well—if you *must*, why, go ahead! don't mind me: jus' go ahead—an' leave your poor ol' dad to go home alone!"

It was the little "Co-ed" now, who felt the danger of impending and complete capitulation, and without another word she hurried from the room in urgent quest of reinforcements; presently she came running in again with her chum Edith—and the Colonel braced himself for the final stand.

The reinforcements boldly began the attack.

Being pretty and winsome, and possessing a roguish smile and a merry laugh that was absolutely irresistible, she knew instinctively the necessary manœuvers to be made.

"Colonel," she began, in tones of asperity, "you were thinking a few moments ago, I believe, of leaving on the noon train for Texas?"

The Colonel stiffened perceptibly.

"I not only *was* thinking—I am *still* thinking—in fact, I *am* goin'——"

"Going right home with me—you and Flo!"

The latter personage had fled from the room again, the matter now hanging in the balance being of altogether too much importance to permit of her remaining with any degree of complacency; besides, she knew Edith!

The reinforcements here made a determined advance, and captured the Colonel's right hand!

"Now see here, Colonel," she began beseechingly, "you *are* going to let Flo have these few days of pleasure, aren't you!"

Silence on the part of the resisting forces; attack renewed.

"You know when you wrote that letter to—to Joe Fleming—it *hurt* her, too; she isn't happy now—in spite of all her brave efforts to appear so; now tell me, don't you think she really deserves——"

The Colonel was on his feet in an instant.

"Deserves it! of course she deserves it! an' if I had as much feelin' an' heart in me—as a miserable, sneakin' coyote, I'd——"

"But you have, Colonel! I'm sure you have as much heart—as, *as a coyote!*"

He dropped back into his chair, and for a moment sat gazing at her in astonishment; then suddenly he broke into a roar of laughter that fairly shook the windows.

"You've won!" he exclaimed heartily, when he had regained his composure—"an' now, while Flo isn't here, I want to talk with you a little while about her."

A look of infinite sadness came over his face, as he drew his chair close to Edith, and began softly and earnestly:

"Last night—when I saw my little girl up there on the stage, all dressed in white . . . so sweet an' innocent—there came a sudden pain in my heart . . . she looked so like her mother—on our wedding-day! . . . the little mother who died so many years ago, when Flo was just a baby. It was the same dear eyes lookin' down upon me—the same sweet face . . . only—that other face was happy then: an' it seemed to me that in spite of all the music, an' flowers, an' pretty dresses an' all—my little girl wasn't happy; an' the thought came over me that perhaps—perhaps I was to blame!"

He paused and looked far away through the open window for a moment, then resumed softly:

"I know I'm rough an' abrupt an' all that: but I mean well; an' I've tried to do right by the poor little motherless girl—best I knew how . . . God knows I'd gladly die to make her happy: an' I've only made her—unhappy! She hasn't said a word to me about Joe Fleming—an' I thought perhaps she was beginnin' to forget about him, until I saw the sadness in her face last night. Doesn't she—doesn't she ever go with any of the others—since he left?"

Realizing that the conversation was assuming a serious trend, which would require some tact and diplomacy on her part to maintain to the best advantage of all parties concerned, Edith did not at once respond; the Colonel waited patiently.

"She never does," she replied at length; "Flo is a queer girl; sometimes I think I don't understand her myself."

"An' she doesn't correspond with any one?"

"Well—yes;" was the somewhat guarded reply, "she writes to one man." Then she added gayly, "And isn't it funny, she calls him her *Cardinal!* Queer nickname, isn't it? Do you suppose he is studying for the clergy —or something like that?"

"I suppose," replied the Colonel absently; "very likely he is."

"How funny!"

"An' she seems to like him?"

"Well—of course you never can tell—but I *think* she does—some!"

"Good! I'm glad to hear that!"

"Yes—er, I thought you would be!"

"Yes, indeed!—studying for the clergy: no doubt a young man of very excellent character and—and ambitions! Now truly—I'm sorry about that Joe Fleming affair; I always liked Joe: but when he persisted in deliberately goin' against all our wishes—an' choosin' the career he did—naturally, it put him out of the runnin'! But if Flo can learn to care for this 'Cardinal' of hers—as she calls him, I'll stand by 'em—an' if he can't make a livin' preachin'—I'll take him in as partner down in—but hush! here she comes."

It was a very doubting and questioning little face that peeked in through the heavy portières; it did not remain so long.

"Hurry now, dear, an' get ready," exclaimed the Colonel decisively; "we're goin' to take the next train—for New York!"

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Reclining tranquilly in the library of the Haines home, Colonel Joshua Traylor blew smoke-rings from his cigar—and meditated. He was pondering in his mind whether there existed in New York City any particular variety of diverting chase into which he had not already been led by two certain vivacious young ladies—when he heard those same identical two tripping gayly down the stairway. As they drew nearer, Edith began to sing, at a rather distressingly high pitch:

"*Oh-h—take me out—to the ball game!*"

Flo grabbed her arm.

"Hush!" she whispered tragically; "if he hears you, he may become suspicious—and not budge a step; and our little plan for the afternoon will never eventuate!"

Chatting gayly, they joined the Colonel.

"Well, where are you two run-abouts plannin' to take me now?" he queried, smiling benignly upon them; "don't you think we better just have a nice, quiet afternoon here in the house, an'——"

"Not for mine!" Flo broke in; "there will be enough of those 'nice, quiet afternoons' after we get back to Texas; now, where do *you* want to go, dad?"

"Me? Oh, I'll go jus' anywhere you two want to go!" The Colonel was learning rapidly; he was perfectly aware that was the way it would eventually end.

"Well," said Edith meditatively, "we might go to the Art Museum—or over in Central Park—or to the open-air concert——"

"Oh, let's go to the 'open-air concert'!"—this from the arch-conspirator—"wouldn't that suit you, dad?"

"Fine! Next to stayin' right here at home—which proposition seems to meet with some disfavor—give me the concert—every time!"

A moment later they were seated in a big, red motor car, whizzing rapidly away, the chauffeur, seemingly, having a most astonishingly clear idea of the direction to take without a word from Edith. In the course of a half hour's ride they arrived at their destination—a high-fenced enclosure into which a vast, eager throng was already beginning to push through the gates.

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It was not until they had taken their seats in one of the boxes, and the Colonel had given one swift glance out over the diamond where a score of husky athletes were busy warming up, that he realized that he was the victim of misplaced confidence! He turned to his two companions, who were now giggling delightedly:

"Say, didn't you tell me we were goin' to an 'open-air concert'?"

Two well-groomed gentlemen occupying a part of the box snickered approvingly.

"Well, papa, we were afraid you might say we couldn't——"

"And just wait!" broke in Edith eagerly, "'til the 'coaches' get started good—and the 'bleachers' join in—and then the grand-stand—and then if you don't say it is the greatest 'open-air concert' you ever heard, why, you needn't ever ask us *again* to accompany you to a ball game!"

"'*Again!*' Say, I've bumped up against confidence men down in Texas—an' gold-brick men—an' bunco men of all kinds and descriptions: an' if those nervy gents have got anythin' on you two 'sweet girl graduates'—when it comes to a genial hold-up an' general flim-flam—I don't know what it is!"

"We *do* the best we can," replied Edith, demurely and with due humility, "and it's early in the day yet!"

The Colonel began to catch the crowd's spirit of eager anticipation. "Who plays here to-day?" he asked, scanning his score card.

One of the gentlemen sitting near responded politely:

"St. Louis plays to-day; the St. Louis 'Cardinals'!"

Even then the Colonel would have conjectured nothing especial from the name had he not chanced to catch a glimpse of Flo's prettily flushing face.

"*Cardinals!*" he repeated reflectively.

Like a flash it all came over him now; *the* 'Cardinal' was no other than Joe Fleming himself! For a moment he felt a spirit of resentment struggling within him; was this not carrying the imposition too far!

"Edith," he said, somewhat sternly, to that totally unabashed young lady, "didn't you tell me that the 'Cardinal' was a certain individual studyin' for the clergy?"

"No, indeed!" was the ready response; "I asked you, 'Do *you suppose* he is studying for the clergy?', and you replied, 'I suppose'; now surely you wouldn't blame *me* for an error in supposition on your part, now *would* you, Colonel?"

He gazed into the roguish eyes looking up into his, and he felt his resentment slipping away under the winsome witchery of those glances; then, too, Flo had nestled closer to him and was holding his hand within her own. "No," he said, laughing, "I couldn't ever blame you two for anything!"

The crowd continued to pour in; the grandstand was filled to overflowing, and the bleachers were packed and jammed.

"Ought to be a great game to-day," commented one of the men in front, watching the practice out on the field; "I see 'Matty' is going to pitch!"

Unmindful of all else around her, Flo sat leaning far out o'er the box, searching among the Cardinals for one familiar face; would he be changed much; would some subtle force of telepathy make him *feel* that she was near —would he watching his every movement?

Presently she found him, and gave a little involuntary start; then changing color ever so little she sank back in her seat again, and became very quiet; but the blue eyes never lost sight of that agile, graceful figure down there below: of the young player whom she had come to New York just to look upon once more, before leaving for her far-away home. Fearful lest her plans prove futile, she had not written him that she was coming; but now . . . she was near him again—could gaze upon him with longing eyes, even though he was all unconscious of her presence.

How handsome he looked in his uniform of gray and brilliant cardinal! She noticed that he was tanned much darker than when last she saw him; but it was the same kind face, at once gentle and strong. Clearly the lives led by these salaried professionals could not be so demoralizing; she could discern no change for the worse in *him!* But then she never for a moment had expected she would.

Suddenly a gong sounded!

The hum of eager expectancy which hung o'er the vast throng died down to a low purr, then broke out into a wild tumult of applause as the 'Giants' scampered out to the field, and the first 'Cardinal', bat in hand, strode to the plate.

The Colonel leaned forward and spoke to one of the men in the next box.

"Pardon me, friend," he began with some hesitancy, "but doesn't—doesn't Joe Fleming play with the Cardinals?"

"Fleming? sure—he plays with them!" was the quick response; "he is their 'utility man'."

"Oh, is he! not much of a position—this bein' 'utility man'—is it?"

"Hardest position on the team!" exclaimed the other gentleman, turning around, his face aglow with genial interest; "a player gets hurt—some 'star' in his particular position: utility man has to get in an' take his place —an' fill it; he's got to do things the other fellow wouldn't do, for the crowd will stand for an error when a favorite makes it, an' ——*Grell* look at that two-bagger! run you, Larry!" Then resuming a moment later he added, "Yes, if he's 'the goods,' the utility man is the precious 'jewel' of the whole diamond lay-out!"

Edith nodded her head wisely in perfect sympathy and entire approbation; even Flo straightened up considerably, and smiled happily. "Thank you, sir," said the Colonel, apparently greatly relieved in mind, and he leaned forward watching every play with absorbing interest.

Inning after inning passed, thrilling and intense, first one side forging slightly in the lead and then the other.

In the first half of the ninth the Cardinals came to bat with the score seven to six against them. The bleachers, boxes and grandstand were in a state of wildest pandemonium—yelling, cheering, imploring the home team to "Hold 'em! hold 'em!"

It was the Cardinals' last chance.

The first two up were out on easy infield hits; the crowd was in ecstasy. "Nice work! nice work, ol' man!" "Got 'em goin' now!" Then a batter took first on four wide ones, and stole second on the first ball thrown.

"*Hold 'em! hold 'em down!*" shrieked the frenzied crowd.

Colonel Traylor, from Texas, grabbed the front of the box convulsively.

"Go after 'em, St. Louis!" he shouted in stentorian tones; "eat 'em up! *eat 'em up!*"

Flo grabbed him by the sleeve, and endeavored to remonstrate. "Papa, *papa!* what will folks think of you? *Do* be quiet!"

"'*Folks*'?" he snorted in an indignant aside; "what do I care for 'folks'? I don't owe them any money, do I? 'Rah for the Cardinals! WHOOP-E-E-E!"

A man on base—two out—and Reilly, the Cardinal shortstop, at bat!

He misses the first strike!

The crowd breaks into a wild yell of delight, then lapses again into a tremulous hush, strained, intense! The next ball shoots across the outer corner of the plate: the batter swings with all his strength—and meets it squarely!

O'Hara, in center, is off at the crack of the bat; he makes a wild, desperate leap for the ball—and misses it by an inch: and the crowd groans in despair!

A cardinal-legged runner flashes across the plate tying the score! Reilly has reached third . . . the coach there waves him on, and he makes a dash for home! But the center-fielder has relayed the ball now to the second baseman—and he has a "wing." On a line the ball speeds for the plate; the runner makes a daring, skillful slide . . . but the ball arrives the fraction of a second ahead, on the first bound, into the catcher's eager hands, and he claps it on the prostrate form beneath him!

"*Yer out!*" shouted the umpire; and throughout the vast throng, from boxes to bleachers, wild, gladsome riot reigned supreme!

The Cardinals start to take the field in sullen determination; the game is not lost yet. But Reilly, flat in the dust at the plate, does not rise; that desperate, twisting slide had wrenched his shoulder, and he has to be helped to the bench.

Fleming was removing his sweater even before he got the signal from the Cardinal Captain to get into the game. As he started in a quick trot-out upon the diamond he chanced to glance up at one of the boxes—and beheld Flo's face, pale now, from eagerness and emotion. She smiled at him encouragingly, however, and he tipped his cap in rather an embarrassed and perfunctory manner, and hurried on. In another moment he had donned his glove: after the weeks of waiting, waiting, waiting . . . he was at last in the game: at a moment when the slightest error on his part might mean—defeat for his team!

The crowd now was stamping, shouting, roaring and 'rooting' in an effort to rattle the Cardinal pitcher. He gets the signal from the catcher—a low in-shoot! The batter lands upon it with a mighty crash—and ankle-high, the ball flashes between second and short! Fleming leaped for it—barely clasped it, but its momentum was too great, and it rolled at a tangent off into the outfield . . . and the runner took second.

The crowd was not seated now: it was standing *en masse*—a surging, frantic mass of frenzied humanity!

The "rooters" devoted their attention now to a concerted effort to "rattle" the Cardinal utility man!

"Hit it down to short—*he'll* miss it!"

"*Oh you Fleming!*"

"*Reilly* would have got that last one!"

The Colonel could restrain himself no longer!

"Reilly *wouldn't* have got it!" he roared out in righteous indignation; "*he* wouldn't have got it, an' neither would—would——" but his list of base-ball celebrities was exhausted; not so his furious ardor, however. And he added defiantly, "An' the *Governor of Texas* wouldn't have got it, nor any other mortal man that ever lived!"

"Papa, *papa!*"

"Well, I mean it! Justice is justice!"

"Yes, 'justice is justice'," remarked Edith significantly.

"But let it be understood," added the Colonel diplomatically, and in lowered tones, "that the *real* issue against this young man is not mitigated in the slightest degree, an'——"

Unmindful of all else

"*Crr-rack!*" went the mighty bat of the Giant at the plate. The ball shot on a line past third base, eluded the clutches of the left-fielder, and rolled merrily on to the fence.

The man on second scampered gleefully home with the winning run—and the Cardinals . . . had gone down in defeat!

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The crowds began streaming out; those in the boxes, for the most part, sank back in their seats, waiting until the exits became less jammed and congested.

"I hardly know whether to be glad—or sorry!" exclaimed Edith dubiously; "of course, I wanted New York to win—but I wanted Joe to win, too!"

Neither Flo nor the Colonel ventured any response; the latter being, apparently, lost in his own reflections, and his daughter completely absorbed in an earnest but not entirely successful endeavor to catch a glimpse of a Cardinal "utility man" in the scattered group of players still busy with their bats and cases around the bench. She was wondering now . . . hoping against hope that he would come to her; she felt that she *must* speak to him, if only for a moment!

Suddenly her attention, as well as that of Edith and the Colonel, was directed to the conversation of the two gentlemen in front, who had been in the next box.

"There's an interesting bit of history about that young Cardinal utility player," one of them was saying, as they stood waiting for an opportunity to make their way out; "it was told to me by a banker friend of mine: he knew I wouldn't ever repeat it——"

"Oh, no; certainly not!" rejoined the other, facetiously.

"Well, I mean to any one who might know the parties personally."

"I understand."

"It seems Fleming was a Senior at some college down South, and captain of the Varsity base-ball team. He had a boy chum he thought considerable of, and this boy got in bad some way: stole a lot of money belonging to the athletic club! The boy's mother came to Fleming, and begged him to save her son. Well, he had a little money, just enough to finish college on, and to take his sister through the following year; he turned over his share, and it wasn't enough; then he wrote to this banker, an old friend of his father . . . and *borrowed* money to save his friend's honor! He didn't want to tell the banker what he wanted with the money: he made him do it, but he never told another soul! . . . just gave up his career—friends—all, to go and earn back in the only honorable way he knew how, the money his chum had stolen! He was engaged, at the time, to one of the girls at the college, but when he joined the professionals, her ol' man cut up rough about it, and busted the whole thing up, and—— Come on, now; here's a way out." In another moment they were lost from sight in the crowd.

Edith was the first to speak.

"Well, *what* do you think of that!"

Flo, the tears of joy glistening in her blue eyes, was far too happy to say anything at all; then, too, she was busy watching "her Cardinal" rapidly making his way toward them.

The Colonel, however, had something to say—and he expressed himself clearly and to the point.

"Young ladies, if that 'Utility Man' I see approaching our box will accept my terms . . . an' my apology—I'm goin' to sign him up for life."

"Yer out!"

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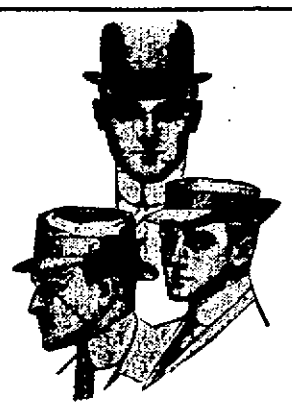

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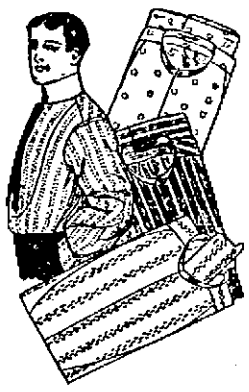
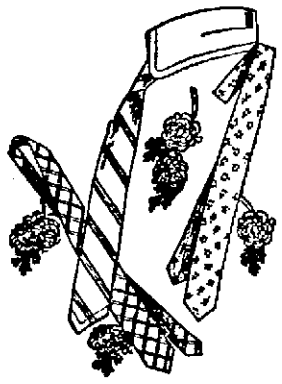


Neckwear

Our Neckwear counters look like flower beds with assorted blossoms Everything that's new and choice in fall Scarfs is at our store. The newest Silks from foreign and domestic looms. Neckwear that's exclusive and different. All correct shapes. You can have them put up in Christmas boxes, 25c, 50c and $1.00.



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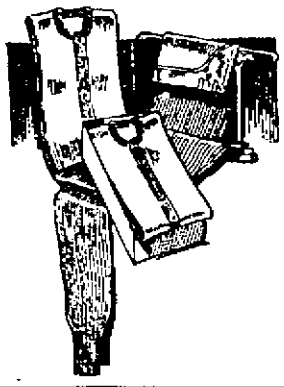
We study the Underwear question and appreciate the different requirements of different men. Some want wool or nothing. Others wouldn't and couldn't wear wool at all. So we provide the best in all the different kinds of Underwear, 25c to $3.00.



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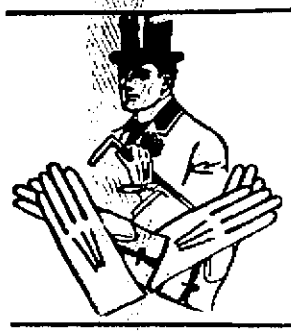

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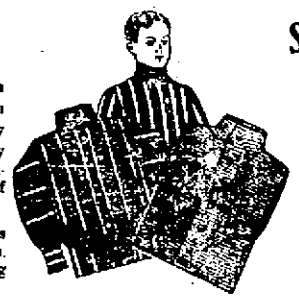

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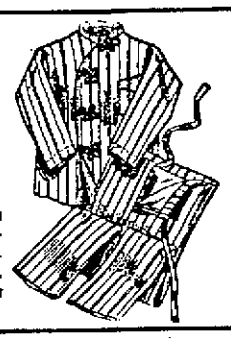

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The man with a pajama preference can find a splendid suit at our store and so can the boy. We have them in all sizes and in a variety of fabrics and trimmings.

Prices from $1.00 per Suit up.

Caps

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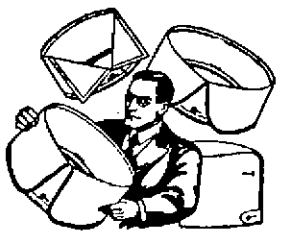

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Our line of Children's headwear receive our special attention. We show the best, most popular styles. School Hats, Caps, Tams, Toques, etc Great variety, 25c, 50c and $1.00.

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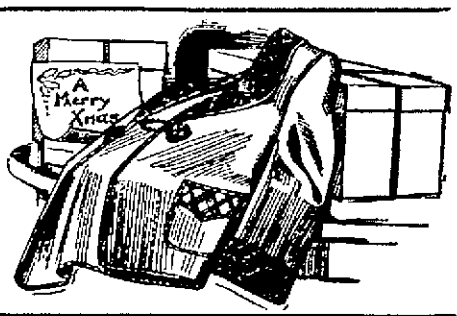

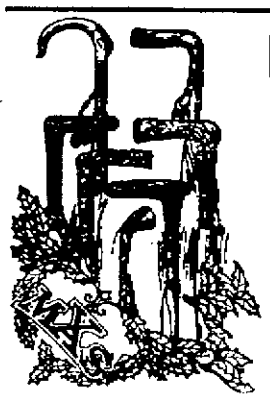

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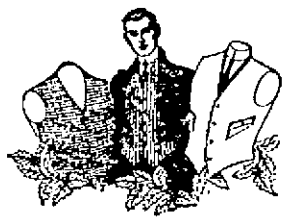

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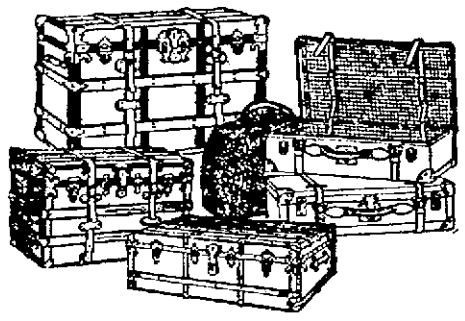

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